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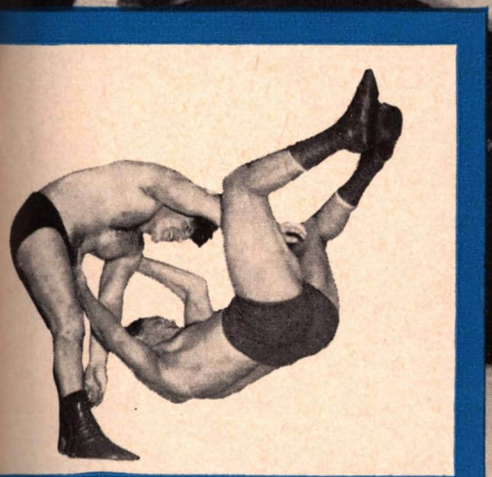

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FULLMER DRAWS WITH GIARDELLO

Gene Fullmer, who retained his N.B.A. middleweight title in draw with Joey Giardello. A shallow victory.

THE muddled middleweight picture became even more so following the draw decision rendered in the Gene Fullmer-Joey Giardello fight here at the Montana State College Field House before 12,150 fans who paid $110,000 to witness a drab mauling brawl, that had its only excitement stem from non-fighting causes.

These two moments came in the fourth round, when both men made like billygoats, and after the fight when the decision was announced.

From the start neither was able to establish a firm hold on the action, and this followed through all fifteen rounds in which neither man was in trouble or even shaken.

After three rather tame rounds that saw the only damage a slight cut over Gene's left eye brow opened by a nice countering right by Joey in the last ten seconds of the second round, the boys got out of hand in the fourth. Gene had drawn a warning midway in the third for his three-point attack, gloves and head, and when he again pushed his head into Giardello's face during one of his infrequent rushes, opening a cut alongside of the right eye brow, Joey really saw red. He took after Fullmer and deliberately butted Gene in the face. Fullmer wrestled him into the ropes and Joey repeated, opening a bad gash in the middle of Gene's forehead, causing the blood to cascade down his face. Gene slammed back at Joey and Referee Harry Kessler, stopped the action and after about fifteen seconds, when the tempers had cooled, let them resume boxing. From then on both bled from their cuts, Gene more often and heavier.

Giardello, traveling the fifteen-round route for the first time in his 107th fight, paced himself over the first eight rounds as he stayed flat footed and waited for Gene to lead or rush, then he would counterpunch. These tactics were successful, but Fullmer did not rush often and the pace was slow. This too worked in Giardello's favor as it let him conserve his strength.

Starting with the ninth round Joey went more to the attack. This, combined with the increase of the pace set by Gene, speeded up the fight somewhat but it still was a slow mauling match with Gene going for the body with long swings as he forced his way forward and Joey head-hunting all the way, countering when he could with left looks and rights mostly crosses, but occasionally using an effective uppercut. When he failed to land solidly, Gene would get in close and tug away, getting a hand free and clubbing away to the face of Giardello.

Coming into the final three rounds it appeared as if Fullmer's NBA title was lost, but now Gene put the pressure on his man steadily, forcing Joey from rope to rope, from one side of the ring to the other, digging away at the body and coming in past Joey's counters.

While Giardello did not appear to be tired he was weakening and Fullmer was plowing in. We felt Gene carried the last three heats with this style, if it could be called a style, and with them won the fight. Our tally was 143-142 or 8-7 in rounds for the West Jordan Deacon who hit the class limit on the nose at 160, giving him a pound and three-quarters the better of the weights.

In interviews both men showed annoyance with each other and the verdict.

Giardello said: "How do they give a draw in a championship match? I won!" he continued: "It was a rough match and I feel I am half a champion, but I know I won and can beat him again! Fullmer claimed the butt which caused the flood to flow was intentional, and that he won despite the handicap.

Gene's manager Marv Jensen: "Kessler should have disqualified Giardello in the fourth round for that butt, or at least taken the round away from him. He did neither."

Marv also said: "I don't know about a return, we will have to wait and see how the cut heals."

With the Pender-Robinson fight now off until June 10 it seems doubtful if the middleweight muddle will be straightened out before winter. The draw was the first in a title match since the Robert Cohen-Willie Toweel bantamweight fight in South Africa in 1955 and the fourth in the middleweight ranks, all being in the last thirty years. The others were Ben Jeby-Vince Dundee in 1933, Marcel Thil-Carmelo Candel in 1934 and Ceferino Garcia-Henry Armstrong in 1940.

Here is the breakdown of the official score cards.

Referee Harry Kessler:

FULLMER	— 9	9	9	10	10	10	10	9	10	9	9	9	9	10	10—142
GIARDELLO	—10	10	10	9	10	9	9	10	9	10	10	10	10	9	9—144

Judge Billy Dugal McFarland:

FULLMER	—10	10	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	9	10	9	10	10	9—145
GIARDELLO	—10	9	10	10	10	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10—145

Judge Jay Evans: :

FULLMER	— 9	9	10	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	9	10	9	10	10—145
GIARDELLO	—10	10	9	10	10	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	9	9—142

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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Nat Fleischer is back in America after acting as a judge in the Pascual Perez-Pone Kingpetch flyweight championship contest. "Mr. Boxing" brings to his Ring readers loads of material on fighters and people in the "Near East". In addition Ring readers will receive a full length yarn on the new flyweight champ, Pone Kingpetch, written by the man who has just spent weeks with him in Thailand. What kind of a man is the new champ? What are his plans? Read all about him in the July Issue of Ring.

Dan Daniel will bring Ring readers another of his engrossing and information packed articles a la Sherlock Holmes. . . . . A Ring Detective Special

Now that the Heavyweight championship fight between Ingemar Johannson and Floyd Patterson is assured for June The Ring will bring our readers in the next issue the latest odds, plans of attack by champ and challenger, camp gossip and facts relative to boxing's big fight for 1960.

The left hook has been said to be the best punch that a boxer can deliver. The same experts who state this go on to make it known that few fighters today have what it takes to develope the left hook of a man, say, like Charley White. Are there any left hookers left today? If so who are they? See the July Ring for the answer.

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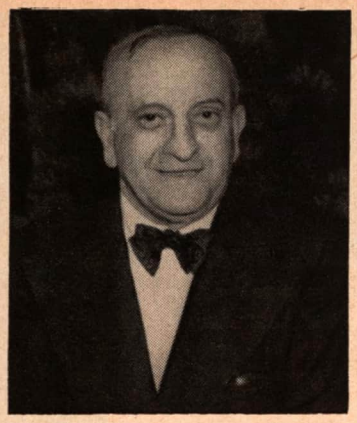

NAT FLEISCHER

Says

AUTHORITIES have contended that the national televising of boxing twice weekly has been mainly responsible for the dearth of activity in many once-popular fight centers; that video has killed off "small clubs" and discouraged youngsters from trying their luck in the ring.

"CUT OUT TELEVISION, GIVE THE SMALL CLUBS AROUND THE NATION A CHANCE TO OPERATE AGAIN, AND YOU'LL SEE A REVIVAL OF BOXING," the fistic fraternity has been saying.

Well, we shall see what we shall see when the Wednesday night TV programs go off the air, and only one video show will be offered weekly. That one, now staged on Friday night, will be shifted to Saturday night, according to present plans.

From this point of observation, we doubt if there would be much of an improvement in boxing if the one weekly show were to discontinue also. The plain, simple fact is that youngsters just don't seem to be interested in boxing careers today. There are too many other and less rugged professions open to them. The one-time neighborhood rivalries and racial feuds have disappeared. It has been said that you cannot legislate human nature, and it's an undeniable fact that if you want Irishmen to become enthused over a fighter, it's got to be an Irishman. The same applies to the Jewish, Italian, German, Italian and other racial factions. Except in rare instances, we just don't have them now.

Another contributing factor to boxing's general decline has been the heavy "overhead" under which most promoters have to operate. The wage scales for even crude preliminary boys has soared upward. In most cases rentals of arenas have increased. Other expenses also have grown considerably.

Consider New York, for example. Back in the 1920s and 1930s, when boxing was at its peak in the Big Town, it was nothing for a dozen or more clubs to operate weekly. Not only were there the "regular" arenas, such as the Commonwealth, Lenox, Pioneer, St. Nicholas, Broadway, Ridgewood Grove, et al., but a half-dozen armories also promoted. They all did well.

The only "small" club now functioning in New York is St. Nick's, and that has been losing money steadily. The only reason it continues to exist is that Madison Square Garden is using it as a "farm club" to develop talent for the Garden's TV cards.

Occasionally we hear of a modest show being staged at Sunnyside Garden in Long Island City, and now and then some other arena tries its luck with boxing, but almost invariably the ventures end up financial losers.

Unquestionably the major TV programs have hurt boxing throughout the nation, but they aren't entirely responsible for the general lack of activity and decline of talent. The sport needs its neighborhood rivalries and racial enthusiasms.

The liveliest spots in the nation, California and Texas, are fortunate in having colorful Mexican attractions and tremendous Mexican populations to keep their box-offices busy. So far as the rest of the land is concerned, the youngsters of Irish, Jewish, German, Italian and other racial strains just aren't going in for boxing now, and that's the main reason for boxing's decline in the United States.

Perhaps, as the boxing authorities insist, TV is responsible for it all. Part of the answer should be supplied when only one national video program is offered weekly, instead of two. That should offer some incentive and opportunity for boxing activity to perk up. Whether or not it represents sufficient incentive and opportunity remains to be seen.

As for the switch from Friday to Saturday nights for the Garden shows, the habits of the home TV fight viewers is in for a drastic change. But that is not all. Fight fans, the few who have continued during the height of the boxing depression to go to the box office on Fridays and purchase their way into the House that Tex Built to see "live" shows, will also have to adjust their way of life. The Garden officials, the sponsors of the fights and the outlet from which the Garden show will be televised, will find that many of those fans will probably become home addicts or will watch the show elsewhere than from a Garden seat.

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1960 All-American

Ten boxers named to the 1960 All-American team by the National Intercollegiate Boxing Coaches Association.

San Jose State college led all schools by placing two men, Archie Milton and Charles Brown, on the first team.

Named to the All-American team are:

Weight	*Boxer*	*School*
112	HEIJI SHIMABUKURO	COLLEGE OF IDAHO
119	JERRY ARMSTRONG	IDAHO STATE COLLEGE
125	BOB CORNWELL	WASHINGTON STATE
132	JOE BLISS	UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA
139	FRED MARTIN	CALIFORNIA POLY
147	CHARLES BROWN	SAN JOSE STATE
156	TERRY SMITH	SACRAMENTO STATE
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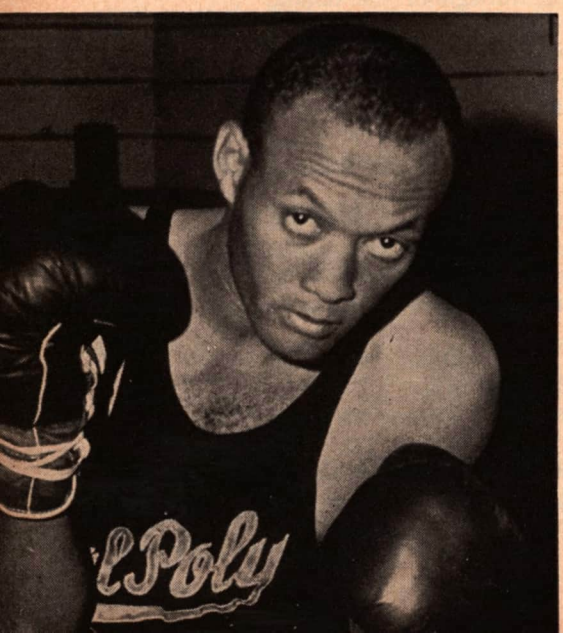
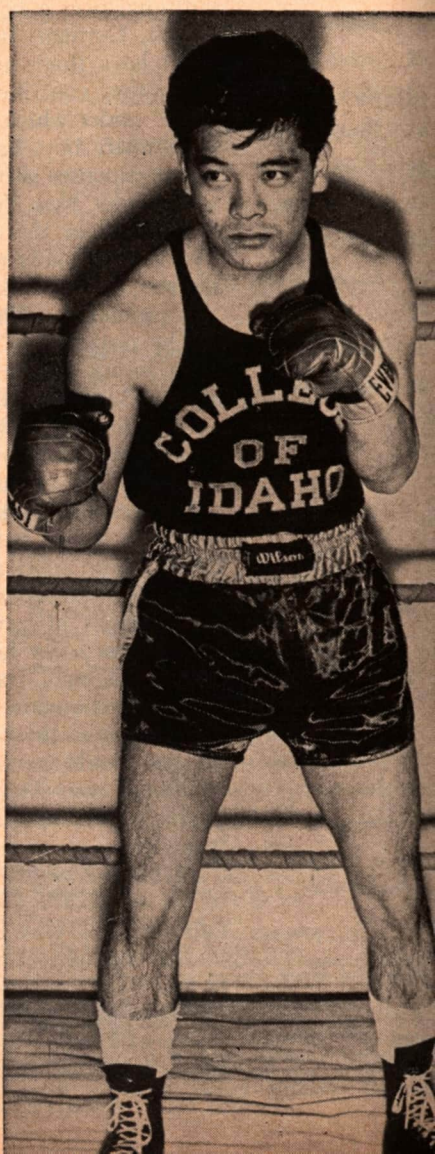
178	JOHN HORNE	MICHIGAN STATE
Hwt.	ARCHIE MILTON	SAN JOSE STATE



Aside from the second team All-American Selections, the results of the 1960 Inter-City Golden Gloves, National AAU and NCAA Championships can be found on page 53. Check these names closely as these are the lads who will make up our Olympic Team.

All-American Fred Martin of California Poly picked in the Junior-Welterweight (139) pound class.

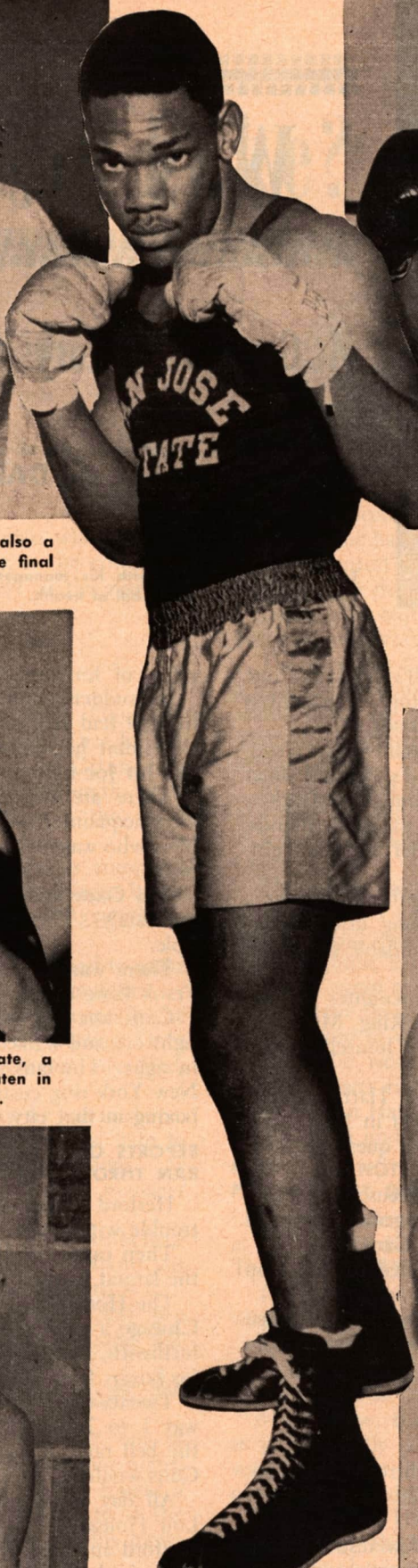
All-American Heiji Shimabukuro of College of Idaho, a repeater from last years team and the 1959-60 NCAA flyweight champion.



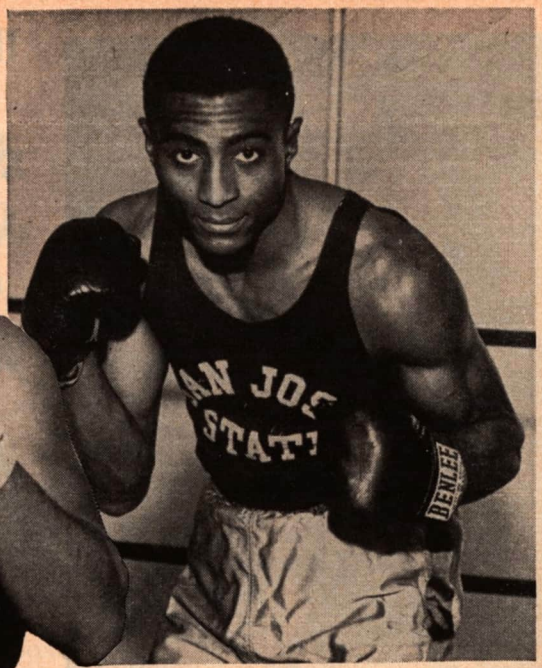
All-American Terry Smith of Sacramento State, also a repeater from last years team, who lost in the final round of this year's 156 pound NCAA bouts.

All-American Bob Cornwell of Washington State, a second team choice last year. Bob too was beaten in the final round this year in the 126 pound class.

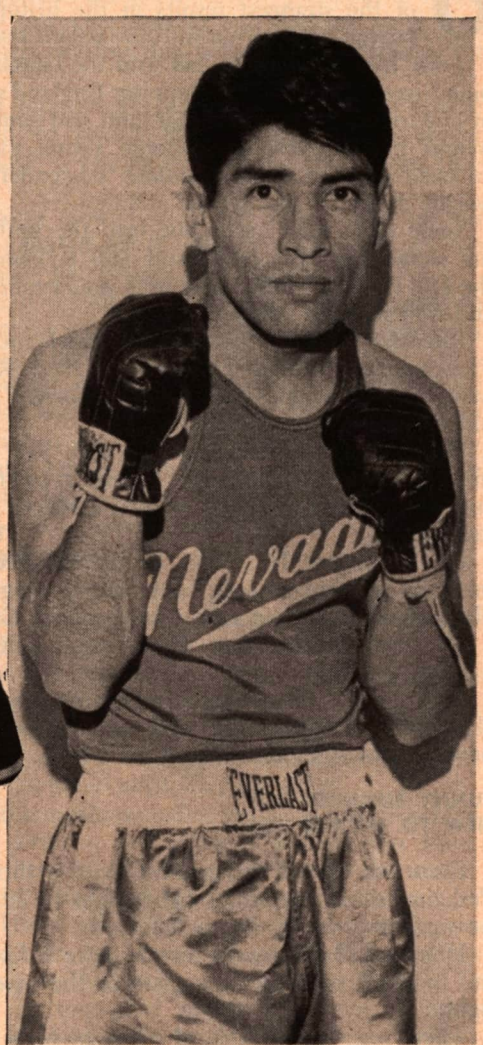
All-American Charley Mohr, of Wisconsin, who suffered a fatal injury in losing in the 165 pound final round.



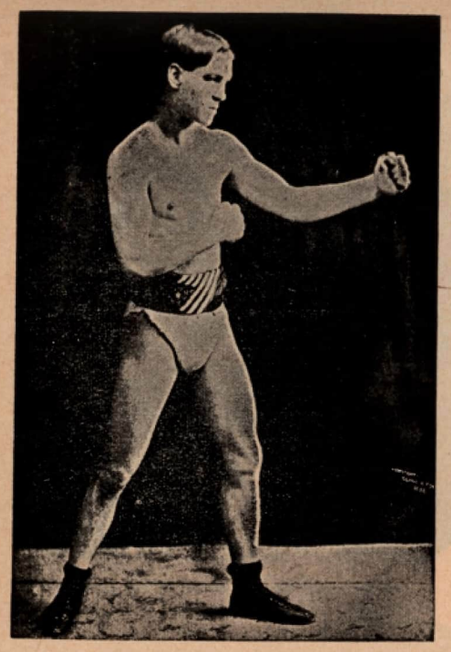
All-American Archie Milton of San Jose State, a repeat choice from last year and the 1960 N C A A heavyweight champion.



All-American Charles Brown of San Jose, named as the 147 pound selection.



All-American Joe Bliss of University of Nevada, a repeater from last years team. He lost in the finals of the NCAA junior lightweight(132) class.



Was McGovern —

McGovern's victory over Joe in 1900 ruined boxing in Chicago for many years.

By DAN DANIEL

Terry McGovern along with his manager Sam Harris given a clean bill of health.

ON December 13, 1900, in Tattersall's, Chicago, one of the strangest results in the history of American boxing was written into the record book.

Terry McGovern, who had won the bantamweight championship of the world by stopping England's Pedlar Palmer in one round the previous year, and had gained the featherweight title by stopping George Dixon in eight rounds, knocked out Joe Gans, standout contender for the lightweight crown, in the second round.

Some sixty years have gone into the limbo of our passing show, and that odd result still is being discussed by the Old Guard,—mulled over with understandable suspicions and well founded misgivings.

Intensive investigation into this brief encounter by Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of The Ring Magazine, many years ago appeared to give McGovern himself a clean bill of health.

Nat had some interesting talks with Sam Harris, Terry's manager, who later became a theatre tycoon in New York, and Sam seemed to answer all of Fleischer's questions satisfactorily.

On December 14, 1900, Harris was accused of being involved in a private—oh, so private—arrangement with Al Herford, a big betting man who managed Gans.

However, in later years, Harris never failed to throw up a strong defense.

According to Fleischer's view, Harris must be vindicated along with Terrible Terry, who was the kind of fighter who never would enter into a pact for a fake.

FUNNY BUSINESS NOT NEW TO WIZARD JOE

Gans was one of the greatest fighters the ring has seen. Perhaps he was the No. 1 lightweight of all time. Possibly he was out-rated by Benny Leonard.

However, Gans' record reveals quite a few results which fail to stand up under the glare of the investigator's spotlight.

There was, for example, the first of Joe's seven meetings with George Elbows McFadden, on April 14, 1899, in New York.

Gans was the favorite that night. He was stopped in the twenty-third round of a bout which left the powerful attars of limburger hanging heavily in the air.

Joe suddenly crumpled. He explained that, "indiscreetly," he had had half a custard pie with his dinner, and that this tidbit had failed to digest. It developed that Elbows had hit Joe right in the pie.

There are reasons to believe that Gans and Herford were acquainted with certain New York and Chicago gamblers who wagered heavily on McFadden to win by a knockout.

Did Gans and Herford know these gamblers somewhat intimately? The pie story was much too thin and implausible.

There was, too, Gan's twelve round knockout defeat by Frank Erne in New York on March 23, 1900.

Gans was winning this one when he got a cut over the right eye and walked out of the ring. Herford was nowhere in sight. The fans were suckered by one of the rawest deals New York ring customers have suffered within a century of boxing in that city.

REPORTS OF A FAKE RAN THROUGH CHICAGO

Herford or any other "cut man" would have had little trouble with Gans' injury. But Joe took a walk.

Then came the December affair in Chicago, which drew the largest turnout yet seen in Tattersall's.

The Horton Law had been repealed in New York, giving Chicago a chance to grab the ring spotlight. This it did, forthwith, and the Windy City became the gathering place for boxers from all over the country.

Twenty-four hours before the Gans-McGovern affair, it was 1 to 2 that Terry would last the limit. Just before the bell rang, it was even money that the great and clever Gans would be knocked out.

All day on December 13 there were stories of a fake. Lou Houseman, the promoter at Tattersall's, summoned Herford and told him about those rumors.

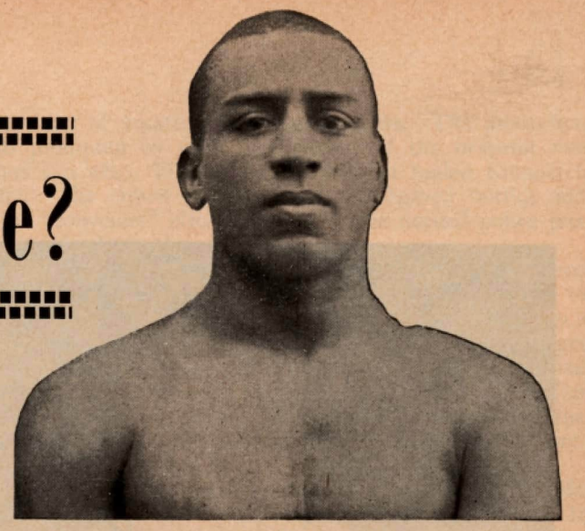
Herford, a good actor, became indignant and offered to lay 3 to 2 that Gans would last the limit. Houseman was convinced. Later he conceivably was not so sure about Herford's bona fides.

The report of the brief encounter in the New York Press was most scathing and denunciatory.

The lead said that "Gans, as yellow in heart as in his color, was counted out."

Later on the report said, "Gans is a man who quits on the slightest provocation. There is more of the coward in him than there is in all the other fighters in the ring put together."

Gans Fight A Fake?



Joe Gans condemned for lack of effort.

McGRAW TOLD ABOUT GAN'S BOXING WORLD

This report was an out and out filthy libel. Gans emphatically was no coward. I remember vividly what John J. McGraw, then in his heyday as manager of the Giants, told me about Joe, with whom Mac became very friendly when John was player and manager in Baltimore, the Gans bailiwick.

I had asked McGraw to talk about Gans as compared with Leonard, and Mac gave the edge to the Negro boxer.

"Let me tell you about Gans and the boxing world in which he lived," McGraw said.

"To begin with, Negro fighters around 1900 had to make many 'concessions' to white boxers to get good matches.

"Then again, Gans lived a loose life. Eventually he became diseased to the point at which he declined into tuberculosis. His making weight didn't do him any good, either.

"Joe was a game fighter, a great one when he was in shape. He could look very bad when he was ill. I would hate to believe that Gans entered into any fake arrangement. As for Herford, he was a gambler first and a fight manager after that.

"I knew Gans well, and I never had any reason to believe that he was anything but an honest fighter. About his manager, form your own conclusions. I don't care to."

The "contest" lasted precisely five minutes and five seconds. Joe was counted out in two minutes and five seconds of the second round.

Gans never was in the fight at any stage of the five minutes.

Joe never delivered a real punch. George Siler, one of the great referees of ring history, who officiated that night, said, "Gans put up a very poor fight. McGovern fought a clean, fast mill from start to finish. He is entitled to all the credit of victory. He fought hard and fast, and his blows went straight to the mark.

"If the fight is to be cried down at all, it is on account of the miserable showing made by Gans."

SILER FAILED TO CALL AFFAIR "NO CONTEST"

Siler came in for sharp criticism for having let himself become an accessory to a palpable fake. When George was asked why he had not stopped the phony affair and declared it "No Contest", he walked away. He had no reply and he knew that the implied charge was a valid one.

Gans, who cost the Negroes of Chicago, of the entire country, considerable money, kept out of sight for some days.

The first round aroused suspicions when Gans, who had a famous left counter, failed to use it. Joe wore a blank, scared look. He just kept pawing and backing away, and when the customers saw this they began to holler futilely for action.

In the second round Gans was knocked down a couple of times, but was up quickly, always looking to his corner as if asking, "Now?" The answer did not come from Herford.

Then Gans went down again and rolled over on his stomach. Siler counted off the ten, tapped Gans on the shoulder, and said, "Joe, get up. It's all over."

The fighters had signed strange articles. Gans agreed to stop McGovern or lay no claim to victory. Imagine any such arrangement these days!

Joe agreed to weigh 133 pounds at seven o'clock on fight night. The weighing in took place in Malachy Hogan's saloon. Gans tipped the beam at 134¼ pounds, and insisted that in Harry Forbes' gymnasium only an hour before he had been under 133.

HARRIS DID NOT PRESS FORFEIT QUESTION

When McGovern got on the scales, the beam was set at 133 and he did not budge it. Harris said he doubted if Terry weighed 125.

The agreement said that if Gans came in overweight he would forfeit half of the purse coming to him.

Harris was strangely silent on that subject at Hogan's. He told Herford that they would allow the question of the forfeit remain in abeyance until after the fight.

At the time, this generous offer by Harris was regarded as just a kindly gesture. But when it was all over those with a suspicious bent asked, "Why did Sam let the matter of the forfeit slide? He must have known something."

Well, maybe Harris knew and maybe he did not know. In any event, the Gans-McGovern affair delivered a knockout blow to boxing in Chicago.

Mayor Carter Harrison had not been too enthusiastic over the growth of his domain as a boxing centre. When he became aware of the charges arising from Joe's quick exit from the ring at Tattersall's, he started an investigation in which both the police and the Board of Aldermen

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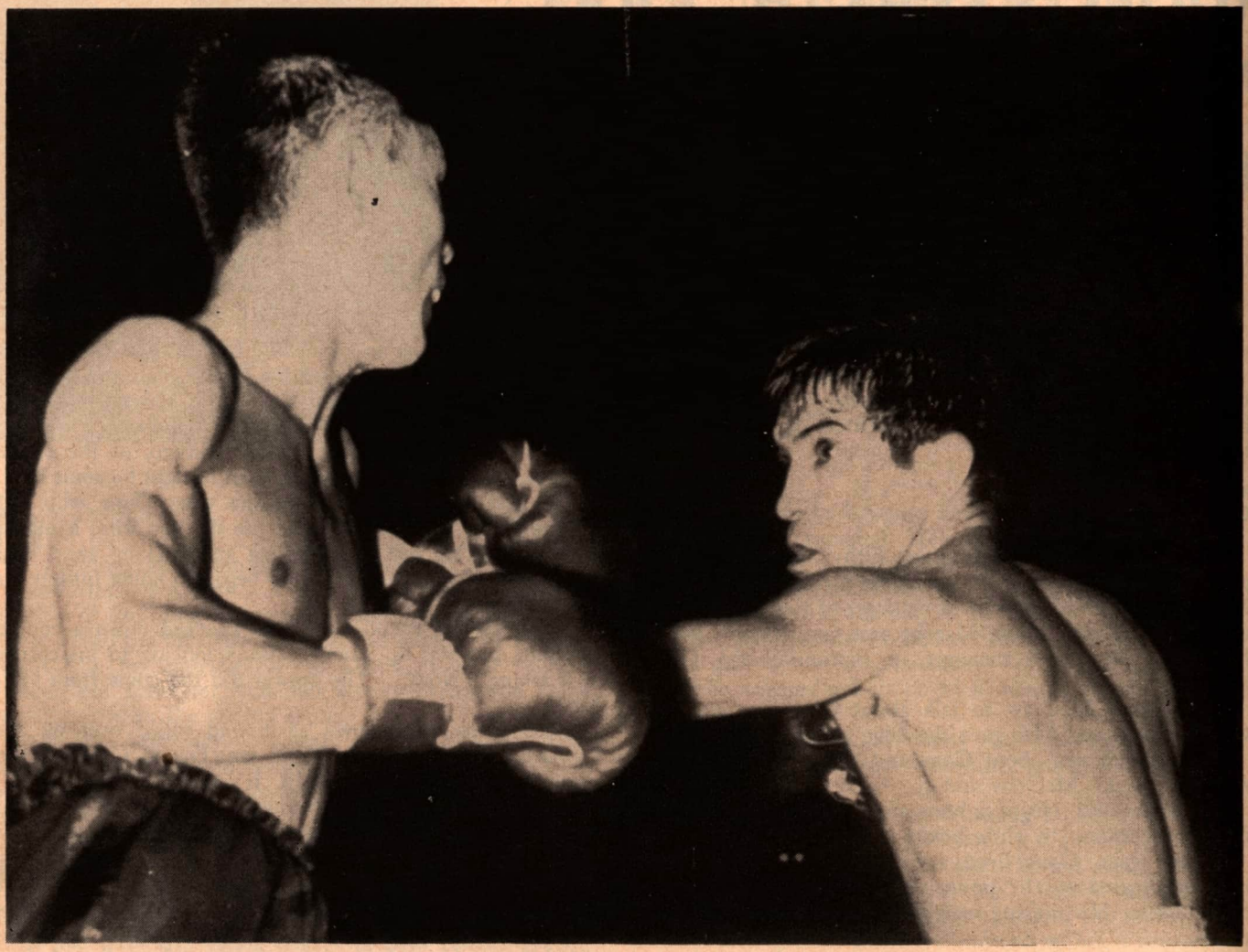
By NAT FLEISCHER



Pascual Perez (right) carried the fight to lanky Pone Kingpetch during most of their 15 round bout, but as this photo shows, Perez was unable to get inside of the new champion's long arms often enough to retain his crown. The victory by the Thai boxer was one of the many upsets that have befallen the champions this past few months. U. S. fans will have a chance to see both Pone and Perez in action if the current plans for their return match set for Los Angeles in July go through.

Pone Kingpetch New Flyweight Champ

RINGSIDE, Bangkok—There is an old slogan about the eternal fitness of things, and the capricious gods of ring destiny must have had it in mind when they decreed that Pascual Perez, who had won the world flyweight championship from one Oriental should eventually lose it to another.

In the eleventh defense of the title he had acquired from Japanese Yoshio Shirai in Tokyo nearly five years before, Perez was outpointed here by Thailander Pone Kingpetch.

During his busy reign as champion, Perez had successfully repulsed the advances of Shirai in a return match; two fellow-Argentines (Ricardo Valdez and Luis Angel Jiminez), a Cuban (Oscar Suarez), a Venezuelan (Ramon Arias), a Spaniard (Young Martin), a Britisher (Dai Dower), two Filipinos (Leo Espinosa and Dommy Ursua) and another Japanese (Sadao Yaoita).

The chunky little South American had compiled an amazing record in both amateur and professional competition. As a medal-chaser he had won the Olympic title in London in 1948, and as a punch-for-pay performer he had won all but two of 54 bouts against the best flyweights in the world. Of his 52 victories, no less than 36 had been by knockouts, attesting to the tremendous punching power of the tiny tyke.

But time eventually runs out on the best of them, and it did on little Perez on a steaming hot tropical night here in Bangkok.

At 34, ten years older than his opponent, Perez found the years a bit too much for him. What also militated against him was the tantalizing left hand of his lanky challenger. Reminiscent of Panama Al Brown, Kingpetch is a tall, skinny kid, exceptionally altitudinous for a flyweight at 5 feet 6½ inches, which gave him a tremendous advantage of eight inches, in reach as well as height, over the stocky Perez at 4-10½.

A BITTER STRUGGLE

It was the points he piled up with the use of his long left that decided the issue in favor of the Thailander.

Perez, realizing he couldn't compete with Kingpetch at long range, made a close-quarters battle of it. When he could get inside his opponent's tantalizing left, Pascual worked effectively with vicious body punches, and several times during the battle, particularly in the seventh and eighth rounds, it looked as though he'd wear Kingpetch down by sheer strength.

Kingpetch refused to waver, however. Whenever he appeared to be in trouble, he'd fight back furiously.

Both boys were bleeding profusely during the closing rounds from cuts over their eyes. Kingpetch's stinging jab opened a gash above Perez's left eye in the tenth and over the right one in the eleventh. Also in the tenth Kingpetch was ripped over his left optic and by the next round the eye was practically closed.

It was this writer's decision that crowned the new champion. The other two officials disagreed. Referee Lorenzo Torrealba, imported from the Argentine at Perez's request, voted for his countryman, 145 points to 143. Kingpetch's fellow Thailander, Judge Wong Hiranleka, evened it up by giving it to Pone, 148 to 137. As the third and neutral official, I had Kingpetch ahead by a fair margin, 146 to 140.

IN PRESENCE OF ROYALTY

It was a gala turnout of Thailand notables, including King Phumpiphol Aduldej and Queen Sirikit, and members of the national cabinet. All the spectators sat behind a barbed wire fence, erected to protect the fighters and the officials in the event of unsatisfactory developments. The precaution was prompted by vivid recollections of the near-riot two years ago when Filipino Dommy Ursua fouled Kingpetch here. The crowd tore up seats and heaved bottles and other "souvenirs" into the ring. Ursua needed police protection back to the dressing room.

Because the Perez-Kingpetch bout had been postponed two weeks, the vast stadium in which they were originally to have met was not available, and the match was shifted to a smaller arena with less than half the capacity of the bigger one. The exact figures for attendance and receipts had not been announced as this was written immediately after the bout, but the crowd, which filled every inch of the arena, with several thousands turned away for lack of room, was estimated at 30,000.

One surprising development was Perez's weight. He scaled in exactly at the flyweight limit, 112 pounds. It was probably the heaviest the little Argentine had ever weighed. A legitimate flyweight, Perez had done his best fighting at from 108 to 110. Kingpetch bounced the beam at 110¾.

When contracts for the bout were signed, they called for a return match within 90 days if Perez lost. No site had been specified but there is a strong probability that "neutral" territory will be selected. Los Angeles has been prominently mentioned.

Both boys are eager for the encore. Perez thought he won here. "Kingpetch is a good fighter, smart and clever. I thought I had him several times. I know I can beat him in the next match."

Kingpetch accepted his victory modestly. "Perez is strong and a dangerous puncher," he said, "but I will be ready for him at any time."

SOMETHING ABOUT KINGPETCH.

The new champion was born February 12, 1936, in Hua Hin, a seaport province of North Thailand. He was the seventh of nine children, five boys and four girls. After a brief amateur career, embracing two victories in three starts, he turned professional in 1954, and up to his meeting with Perez he had engaged in 22 bouts, scoring five knockouts, winning 13 decisions and losing four. He became Thailand flyweight champion by beating Kunio Vithicahai in 1956. The following year he whipped the Filipino, Danny Kid, for the Oriental title, and defended it against the Japanese, Kitoshi Misako. After beating the Cuban, Manual Armenteros, in 1959, Kingpetch was out of action nearly a year because of a fractured jaw suffered in an automobile accident.

Kingpetch tuned up for the Perez bout by stopping Baby Ross last January. He is employed in the pharmaceutical laboratory of the Devaakan Company in Bangkok, owned by his benefactor, Thong Thos Indradat, a millionaire sportsman who handles the fighter as a hobby and promoted the Perez bout for the Defense Minister as a benefit for several hospitals.

The Lumpin Stadium, in which the title match was held, had been enlarged to accommodate up to 30,000. A complete sellout, with admission prices scaling from $3.00 to $16.00, represented gross receipts of $122,000, far below the marks set by the Songkitrat-Carruthers and Songkitrat-Cohen bouts for the world bantamweight title in 1954. Those bouts were held in the vast National Stadium. That's where Kingpetch and Perez were originally scheduled to meet, but when Perez requested a postponement the stadium, which is used for various other sports events, was not available for the fight.

TITLE "JINXES"

Madison Square Garden's vast, sprawling Bowl in Long Island City, which had unenviable record as battleground of champions. In seven bouts—four heavyweight and three welterweight—every title-holder who defended his laurels there was beaten.

Bud Smith and Virgil Akins Latest Champions to Lose Form After Winning Titles

By JERSEY JONES

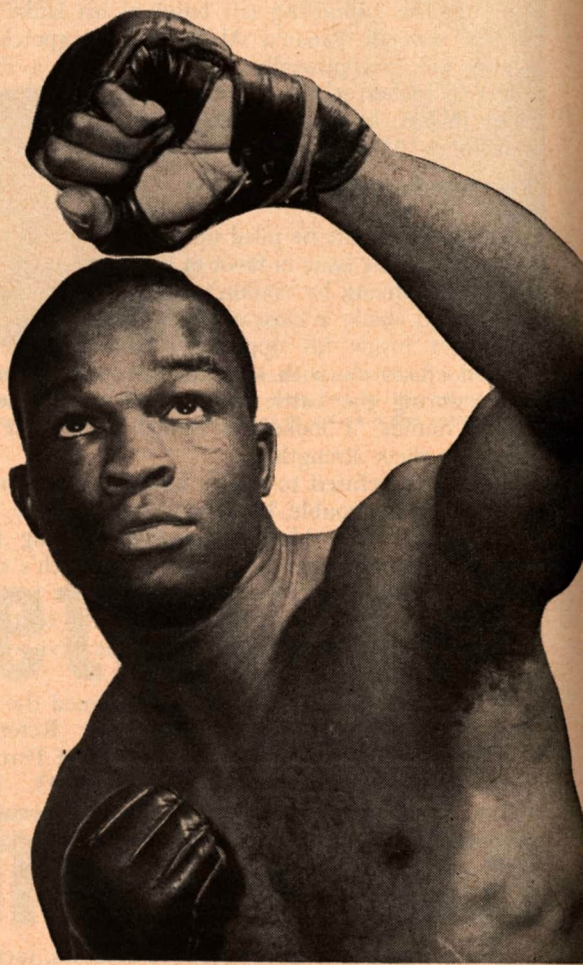
WINNING a championship is supposed to better a fighter. The theory is that it gives him added confidence and poise, reflected in a general all-around improvement in his ring form.

The theory, logical though it may seem, does not always work out in practice. There have been instances, of course, of unrated fighters becoming efficient champions after acquiring titles. But there have probably been just as many cases of ringsters who've not only failed to improve their talents as champions but have actually declined in effectiveness.

One of ring history's outstanding examples of fighters who did become better after winning titles was Jim Jeffries. Physically the boilermaker was big and strong but his fistic equipment was considered exceedingly limited when he was tossed in with the heavyweight champion, Bob Fitzsimmons, in Coney Island in 1899. The authorities and the public at large were practically unanimous in predicting an easy victory for the ringwise, sharpshooting Fitz.

It was a stunning shock when Jeff battered his way to victory, and the title, in eleven rounds.

The prizefighting world was dubious of Big Jim's championship qualifications. His triumph must have been an accident. All sorts of alibis were offered for Fitz's startling defeat. Holding Jeff too cheaply, Ruby Robert hadn't trained as seriously as he should have. Fitz himself circulated the rumor that he'd been "drugged" before the bout. Jeff would be annihilated if he had the temerity to give Fitz a return bout.



Wallace (Bud) Smith, who failed to win a fight after two gruelling battles with Jimmy Carter for lightweight title, and finally retired after eleven consecutive defeats.

Well, Jeff did give Fitz a return bout, three years later in San Francisco, and this time he needed only eight rounds to dispose of the well-conditioned, determined, revenge-seeking Cornishman.

Winning the title made a real champion of Jeff. From a crude, lumbering challenger he developed into one of the ring's all-time greats.

ON THE OTHER FIST

Jeff's case is not unique in the annals of the fist-tossing industry. Through the years quite a few itinerant journeymen and small-time campaigners have unexpectedly stumbled into titles and gone on to establish themselves as authentic champions.

On the other hand—or fist—there also have been fighters who, after scaling the championship heights, have been unable to adjust themselves to the rarified atmosphere of their lofty estates. Instead of improving, they've faded. In some cases, their declines have been gradual; in others, sudden, startling disintegration.

Two recent examples of champions who "couldn't stand prosperity" after winning titles have been lightweight Wallace (Bud) Smith and welterweight Virgil Akins.

Smith's rapid descent has been one of the most surprising developments of the last decade. Bud practically "fell apart" after acquiring the 135-pound laurels.

The only logical explanation would seem to be that Smith never recovered from his two gruelling brawls with Jimmy Carter for the championship in 1955.

Both bouts, first in Boston, then in Cincinnati, were over the 15-round route, and Smith, in winning, absorbed heavy punishment. That punishment must have "softened" him physically. He didn't win another fight. Three years later, when he was persuaded to retire, he had suffered eleven successive defeats, six by knockouts!

Three of Smith's defeats were handed him by Joe Brown. The first was by a decision in a non-title joust in Houston. The next two were in championship affairs. Bud lost by a decision in New Orleans and was knocked out in Miami Beach.

The Cincinnatian's other setbacks were tossed into him by Larry Boardman (decision) and Tony DeMarco (knockout) in Boston, Mickey Crawford (decision) in Flint, Mich., Cisco Andrade (knockout) in Los Angeles, Al Navarez (decision) in Juarez, Bobby Scanlon (knockout) in San Francisco, Duilio Loi (knockout) in Milan, Italy, and Gomeo Brennan (knockout) in Miami Beach.

CASE OF AKINS

Akins' decline has not been as precipitous as Smith's, and no opponent as yet has been able to knock him out, but since the spectacular socking spree which culminated in his winning the vacant welterweight laurels in 1958, the St. Louisan has been beaten in eight of eleven outings.

In only one round of the 120 he's fought has Akins' vaunted punching power been in evidence. Virgil needed a knockout to win that night. It was against Charley (Tombstone) Smith in Chicago. For nine rounds Smith gave Akins a neat boxing lesson, but in the tenth he became careless and was caught napping by the St. Louisan's desperate last-round rally.

Akins' other wins have been decisions over Stan Harrington in Honolulu and Francisco Barreto in Brazil.

In this two-year stretch, Virgil not only has lost in two title tilts with Don Jordan, in Los Angeles and St. Louis, but he has dropped decisions to Del Flanagan in St. Paul, Luis Rodriguez in Miami Beach, Kenny Lane in Washington, Denny Moyer in Portland, Don Fullmer in St. Louis and Wally Swift in England.

The strange cases of Smith and Akins recall the erratic behavior of Joe Dundee as welterweight champion during the two years he reigned in the late '20s.

There was no questioning the Baltimorean's qualifications when he whipped Pete Latzo for the 147-pound laurels in New York in 1927. Dundee (square name Lazzaro) shaped up as a real champion. On his way to the title he had turned in an impressive job of eliminating his outstanding rivals—and the welterweight division was loaded with competent talent in those days.

Dundee, as champion, was expected to be a worthy successor to the likes of Ted (Kid) Lewis, Jack Britton and Mickey Walker.

He wasn't. Whatever the reason or reasons, Joe suddenly became one of the most inconsistent headliners of his era. With a total of 21 bouts, Dundee was a busy enough campaigner during the two years he held the title, but his record was hardly that of a champion. He was beaten four times (once by a knockout), held to one draw, and two bouts ended in unsatisfactory "no contests."

Most of Dundee's victories were over nonentities, but he did whip some fair opposition in Joe Simonich, Walcott Langford and Clyde Hull. He could do no better than draw with Jimmy Finley, was beaten by Johnny Indrissano and Al Mello (twice), and knocked out by Young Jack Thompson. The "no contests" were with Pinky Mitchell and Georgie Levine.

Dundee finally lost the championship to Jackie Fields on a disqualification in Detroit in 1929. Fading rapidly, Joe quit the ring a year and a half later when Pete Suskey knocked him out in Scranton.

THE GARDEN BOWL "JINX"

No discussion of strange developments among champions would be complete without a reference to the pernicious "hex" Madison Square Garden's vast outdoor Bowl in Long Island City seemed to exert over title-holders.

During its comparatively brief existence during the '30s, seven championship bouts—four heavyweight and three welterweight—were staged in the Bowl—and not one reigning monarch was able to retain his laurels!

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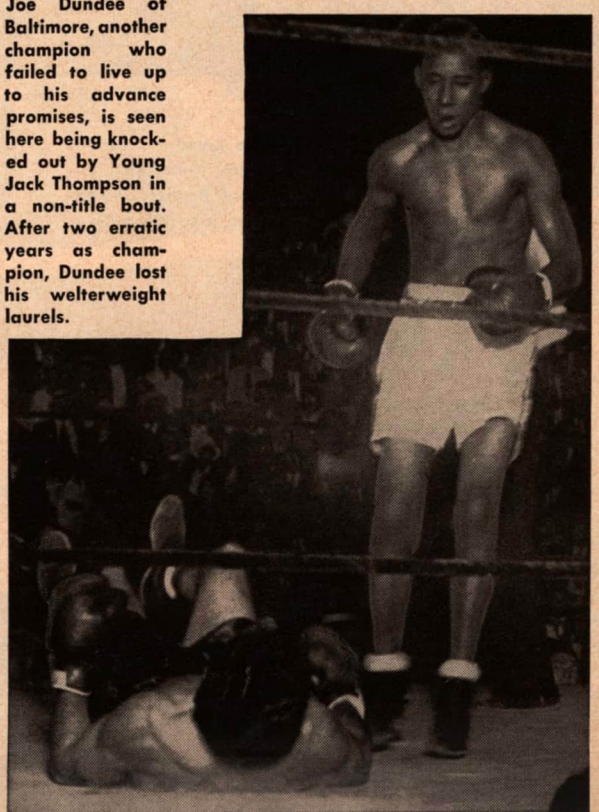


Joe Dundee of Baltimore, another champion who failed to live up to his advance promises, is seen here being knocked out by Young Jack Thompson in a non-title bout. After two erratic years as champion, Dundee lost his welterweight laurels.

THE MONTH IN ACTION

BLOODY BUT UNBOWED

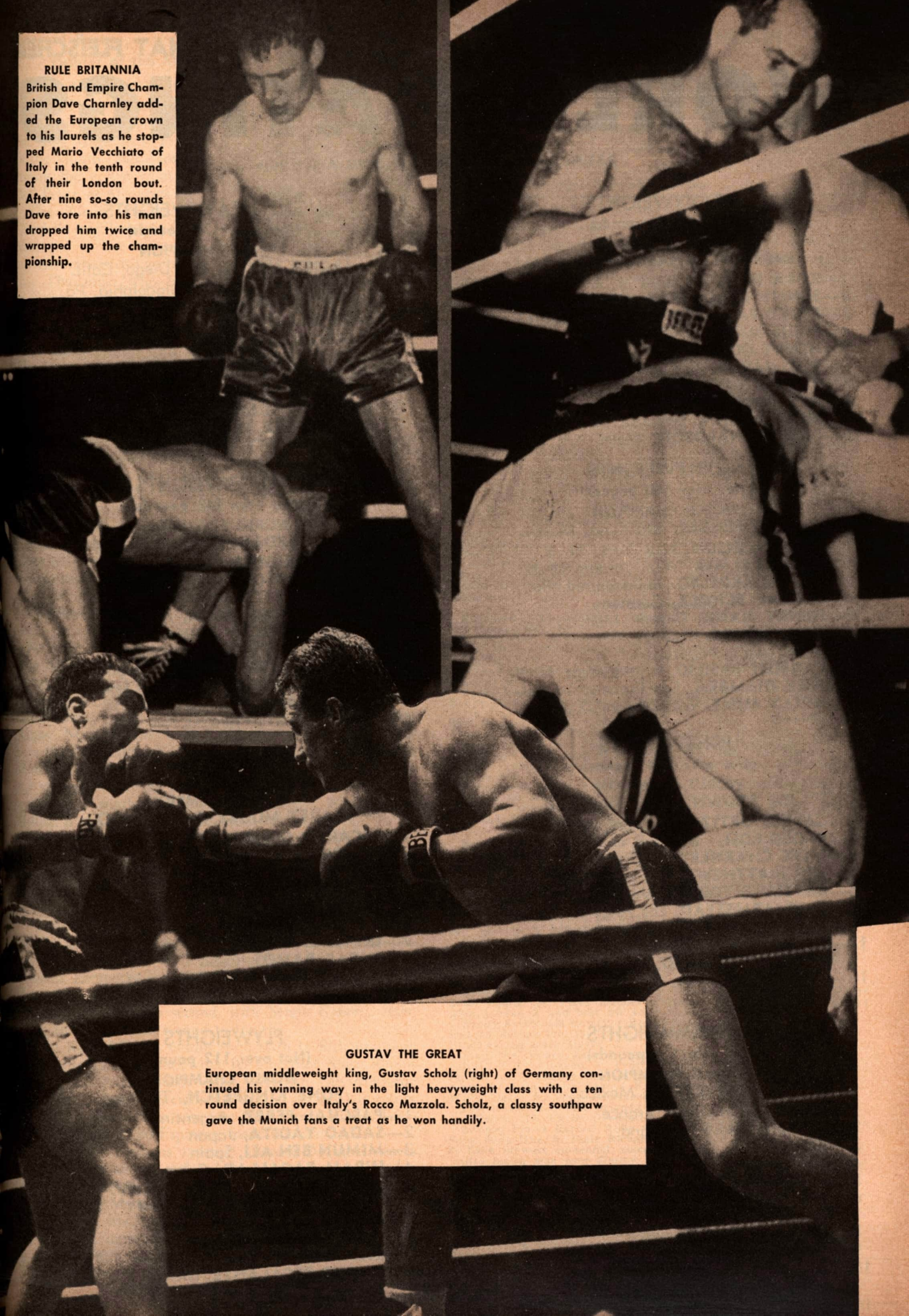
Dick Richardson of Wales, stands over Germany's Hans Kalbfell as the referee signals the end in the thirteenth round of their bout in Dortmund for the vacant European heavyweight crown. Dick suffered two bad cuts around the eyes but hung on to wear down his opponent and gain the crown.

SWEET DREAMS

Baltimore middleweight Tony Baldoni is layed to rest in 1.40 of the opening round by Sugar Ray Robinson. Ray in a warm-up for his rematch with Paul Pender decked his foe twice and failed to even work up a sweat, before a sell out house in Baltimore.

LOOK WHOES BACK!!!

(Far right—Upper corner) Former middleweight king Carl (Bobo) Olson, now making his home in Portland, Oregon, performed for the home town fans and dropped Roque Maravilla for an eight count in the seventh round. Roque got up but could not answer the bell for the eighth round giving Bobo the victory as he launched still another comeback.



RULE BRITANNIA

British and Empire Champion Dave Charnley added the European crown to his laurels as he stopped Mario Vecchiato of Italy in the tenth round of their London bout. After nine so-so rounds Dave tore into his man dropped him twice and wrapped up the championship.

GUSTAV THE GREAT

European middleweight king, Gustav Scholz (right) of Germany continued his winning way in the light heavyweight class with a ten round decision over Italy's Rocco Mazzola. Scholz, a classy southpaw gave the Munich fans a treat as he won handily.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 20th

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
INGEMAR JOHANSSON, Sweden

1—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
2—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Rockville Center, N. Y.
4—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
5—**HENRY COOPER,** England
6—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
7—**BILLY HUNTER,** Detroit, Mich.
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**MIKE DeJOHN,** Syracuse, N. Y.
10—**DICK RICHARDSON,** Wales

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass.

1—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
5—**HENRY HANK,** Detroit, Mich.
6—**SPIDER WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
7—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
8—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Chittanango, N. Y.
9—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
10—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.

* N.B.A. Champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, La.

*1—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
2—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
3—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
4—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**BATTLING TORRES,** Mexico
6—**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
7—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
†8—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
9—**MARIO VECCHIATO,** Italy
10—**ALFREDO URBINA,** Mexico

* N.B.A. Junior Welter Champ
† N.B.A. Junior Light Champ

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BECERRA, Mexico

1—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
2—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
3—**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
4—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
5—**KENJI YONEKURA,** Japan
6—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
7—**ERNESTO MIRANDA,** Argentina
8—**DANNY KID,** Philippines
9—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
10—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
3—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
4—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
5—**GERMINAL BALLARIN,** France
6—**SIXTO RODRIGUEZ,** San Anselmo, Calif.
7—**GILUILO RINALDI,** Italy
8—**JOHNNY HALAFIHI,** Tonga
9—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N. Y.
10—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DON JORDAN, Los Angeles, Calif

1—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
2—**RUDELL STITCH,** Louisville, Ky.
3—**BENNY PARET,** Cuba
4—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
5—**CHARLEY SCOTT,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
7—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Oregon
8—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ,** Cuba
9—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
10—**SUGAR HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

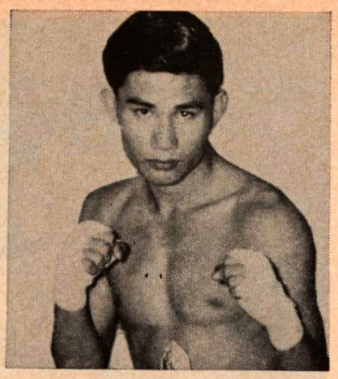
1—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
2—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
3—**PERCY LEWIS,** Trinidad, BWI.
4—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
5—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
6—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.
7—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
8—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
9—**HOGAN (KID) BASSEY,** Nigeria
10—**KAZUO TAKAYAMA,** Japan

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand

1—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentina
2—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
3—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
4—**HIRAM BACALLAO,** Cuba
5—**DOMMY URSUA,** Stockton, Calif.
6—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
7—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
8—**RISTO LUUKKONEN,** Finland
9—**RAY PACHECO,** Reno, Nevada
10—**NACHO ESCALANTE,** Mexico

Pascual Perez
Fighter of the Month



PONE KINGPETCH of Thailand, new world flyweight champ, gains the Ring Magazine's "Fighter of the Month" award for capturing the crown from Pascual Perez, of Argentina.

The Gene Fullmer-Joey Giardello middleweight fracas produced a hot runner-up, but the honors still go to the tiny Thailander who has brought the flyweight division back into the limelight.

Despite activity by top heavyweights, the type of opponents boxed did little to influence these men's standing. Only change occurs with Welchman Dick Richardson gaining a spot in tenth place, replacing fellow countryman Joe Erskine, who has been dropped. Richardson achieved his recognition by knocking out Hans Kalbfell in thirteen rounds to win the vacant European Heavyweight title.

Among the light heavyweights, a big shakeup takes place with Philadelphian Von Clay losing his grip among the rated men due to losses to Clarence Floyd and Dough Jones. Jones of New York City gains a niche among the elite in ninth and inactive Jesse Bowdry falls eighth to tenth. Italy's Giluilo Rinaldi climbs from ninth to seventh with Tonga's Johnny Halafihi moving up from tenth to eighth. Germinal Ballarin of France is on the move and gains one position, from sixth to fifth and Sixto Rodriguez, California slips from fifth to sixth.

Middleweight action has produced no startling or other results to cause any changes.

Federico Thompson, Argentinian by way of Panama, drew with Benny Paret of Cuba, with both boxers becoming future challengers for Don Jordan's welter crown.

Thompson makes the jump from seventh to fourth while his opponent climbs one notch from fourth to third. Ralph Dupas, New Orleans, loser to Florentino Fernandez, falls from third to sixth, while inactive Denny Moyer also drops –from sixth to seventh, and Fernandez returns to the rankings in eighth. Kenny Lane and Sugar Hart each drop one position to ninth and tenth respectively, while Emile Griffith is eliminated to make room for Fernandez.

Little action among the lightweights with Mario Vecchiato, Italy, who lost his European title to England's Dave Charnley, is down to ninth from seventh position. Carlos Hernandez, Venezuela and Flash Elorde, Philippines, each climb one spot, to seventh and eighth.

Feathers have former champion Hogan Kid Bassey of Nigeria, down to a lowly ninth place with possible elimination in near future if he lives up to announced retirement. Gracieux Lamperti, Frenchman who retained his European crown by defeating Manolo Garcia, makes a nice gain, jumping from fifth to second, with Sergio Caprari, Italy, taking the shute from second to fourth.

Rafiu King, Nigeria, climbs from sixth to fifth swapping places with Harold Gomes while Ike Chestnut, Sugar Ramos each move up one notch. Paul Jorgensen falls from the feather class since he weighed in at 136 for his latest contest, and in his place a new face from Japan, Kazuo Takayama, victor over Leo Espinosa, made the tenth spot.

Among the Bantams inactive Herman Marques leaves the select ten and is replaced by Mexican champion Joe Medel, who defeated Danny Kid. The Kid falls from sixth to eighth with Medel entering in ninth.

Jose Lopez, upset by veteran Otilio Galvan loses prestige and position, drops from seventh to tenth; Leo Espinosa down from fifth to sixth with Kenji Yonekura, who meets Joe Becerra for the title next month, zooming from eighth to fifth. Ernesto Miranda, also moves in the right direction, from ninth to seventh.

Flyweight Dommy Ursua, California, loser to Baby Moe Mario, a bantam, loses one rung, and falls from fourth to fifth, trading places with Hiram Bacallao, Cuban. Nacho Escalante, Mexico, swapped positions with Nevada's pride, Ray Pacheo with Nacho dropping from ninth to tenth while Ray climbs from tenth to ninth.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Patrick Stapleton, Ireland
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Don Bale, Boise, Idaho
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Juan Chacon, Cuba
WELTERWEIGHT—Jimmy McGrail, England
LIGHTWEIGHT—Tony LaBarbara, Buffalo, N. Y.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Don Adamson, Terre Haute, Ind.
BANTAMWEIGHT—Terry Crimmins, Wales
FLYWEIGHT—Angel Ruvalcaca, Mexico

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley outclassed Clarence Williams, 10.
Alex Miteff kayoed Monroe Ra liff, 4, and Don Warner, 6.
Dick Richardson won the vacant European title stopping Hans Kalbell, 13; Charlie Powell stopped Harold Carter, 7.
Alonzo Johnson outscored Thoerner Ahsman, 10; Willie Pastrano stopped George Kartalian, 6; Robert Cleroux kayoed Richie Ruth, 1.
Ernest Terrell defeated Lee Williams, 10; Joe Hemphill outscored Dave Bailey, 8; Bartolo Soni kayoed LaMar Clark, 9.
Italian champion Bruno Scarabellin retained his crown stopped Vittorio Stagni, 10; Alejandro Lavorante kayoed Garvin Sawyer, 2.
Ulli Ritter defeated Jimmy Slade, 10, and drew with Pete Radermacher, 10; Robert Duquesne stopped Pekka Kokkonen, 2.
Federico Frisco defeated Max Brianto, 10; Tom McNeeley stopped Tunney Hunsaker, 9. Bill Stephan kayoed Dan Vanderford, 5.
Jim McCarter halted Eddie Jackson, 4; James Head kayoed Ocie Chatmon, 1; Floyd Joyner defeated Billy Fields, 6.
Junior Washington kayoed Eddie Ponce, 3; Tiger Lynch kayoed Carl Boardman, 1; Wilfredo Avellez kayoed John Byrd, 1.
Tod Herring kayoed Lajeune Burks, 3; and beat Wayne Heath, 6; Carl Strong whipped Abe Davis, 6; Abie Olds won over Ted Davis, 6. Larry Maldonado stopped Freeman Hardin, 4.
John Massey and Elmer Hardy drew, 6; Bill Johnson beat Monroe Allen, 5.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

European Champion Erich Schoppner retained his title outpointing Helmut Ball, 15.
Doug Jones outslugged Von Clay, 10.
Carl (Bobo) Olson stopped Roque Maravilla, 7.
French Champion Paul Roux outscored Erwin Hack, 10; Alvin-Williams upset Donnie Fleeman, 10; Bob McKinney defeated Floyd Palmer, 10.
Rocco Mazzola lost to Gustav Scholz, 10; Burke Emery stopped Bobby Delvin, 4; Erich Walter stopped Rolf Peters, 7.
Joe DeNucci outpointed Johnny Otto, 10; Cleo Frazier kayoed Ted Urbauer, 2, and beat Fred Roots, 6; Clay Thomas defeated Tommy Simms, 6. Ildo Warusfel outscored Pedro Klijssen, 10.
Kent Green kayoed Otis Walker, 1; Don Bale kayoed Joe Sedillo, 5, and beat Cal Cooper, 6; Andre Tessier kayoed Jack Harrison, 1; Connie Vaughn kayoed Ken Griggs, 1. Horst Niche defeated Alex Buxton, 10.
Dieter Wemhoener defeated Leen Hansen, 8; Clarence Riley defeated Willie Moran, 6; Dick McDowell stopped Jimmy Patterson, 3; Amos Johnson halted Jim Anderson, 4; Sammy Jordan halted Sigmund Worthley, 5; Jack McCracken kayoed Jimmy Harris, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Ray Robinson kayoed Tony Baldoni, 1; European champion Gustav Scholz whipped light heavy Rocco Mazzola, 10, and kayoed Hugh Koehler, 2.
British Empire champion Dick Tiger outscored Victor Zalazar, 10; Marcel Pigon defeated Michel Diouf, 10, and kayoed Domingo Mena, 2, Michel had kayoed Nellis Oostrum, 6; Cuban champion Paul Diaz retained his title beating Baby Colon, 12; Clive Stewart outscored Tony Dupas, 12; Duane Horsman beat Don Jose, 6, and Lee Ballard, 8. Lee also beat Otis Walker, 6.
Ralph (Tiger) Jones stopped Willie Green, 7; Andres Selpa defeated Miguel Rodriguez, 10; Yama Bahama kayoed Tony Necro, 1; British Champion Terry Downes halted Orlando DiPietro, 4; Phil Moyer outpointed Truman Stevens, 10. Blair Richardson kayoed Al Rose, 6.
Gomeo Brennan defeated Georgia Kid, 10; Rudy Ellis won over Jesse Smith, 10; Peter Mueller whipped Jerome Adje, 8, kayoed Abel Soudan, 3, and beat Ali Amrane, 8.
Randy Sandy lost to welter Rudell Stitch, 10; Eddie Andrews outpointed Nathan Ish, 10; Orient champion Fumio Kaizu retained his title kayoing Rush Mayon, 1.
John McCormack kayoed Tommy Tagoe, 3; Don Fullmer outpointed J. C. Johnson, 8; Pedro Gonzales defeated Willie Parker, 10, but los to Jimmy Walters, 10; Ubaldo Sacco kayoed Cesar Pereyra, 2; John Smith kayoed Billy Hester, 5; Dick Young kayoed Willie Davis, 8; Tony Masciarelli stopped Johnny Lombardo, 2.
Phil Edwards bested Orlando Paso, 10; Mickey Brown whipped Joe Cancio, 10; Chebo Hernandez outscored Memo Ayon, 10.
Alfonso Flores kayoed Rudy Gonzalez, 2; Kang Se-Chui kayoed Song Bang-Hun, 6; Blair Richardson defeated Wilbur Washington, 6; Leon Stewart outscored Amen Pack, 10.
Otto Smith won over Jimmy Landeron, 8; Willie Moran lost to light heavy Clarence Riley, 6; Obduilio Nunez outscored George Chimenti, 8; Marion Whitehead beat Kid Chocolate, 8.
Al Milone whipped Ike Jenkins, 8; Homero Gutierrez kayoed Cuchillo Martinez, 3. Tony Montano defeated Karl-Heinz Guder, 10. Joe Devlin outscored Mike DeFeo, 8. Clarence Alford stopped Sonny Hill, 6.
Dave Brown stopped Bobby King, 2; Sal Fuentes and Sammy Stone drew, 6; Sal then stopped Sammy, 7; Stan Garcia kayoed Don Edmunds, 1; Pete Petros kayoed Young Paulino, 3.
Wallace Roberts defeated oe Reeves, 6; Ricky Ortiz stopped

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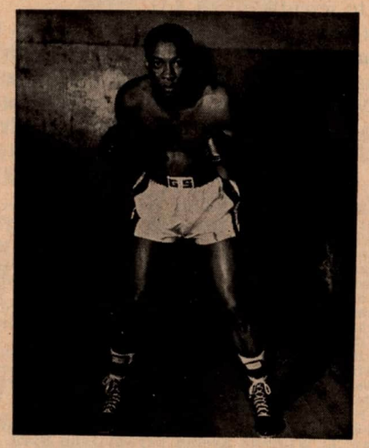
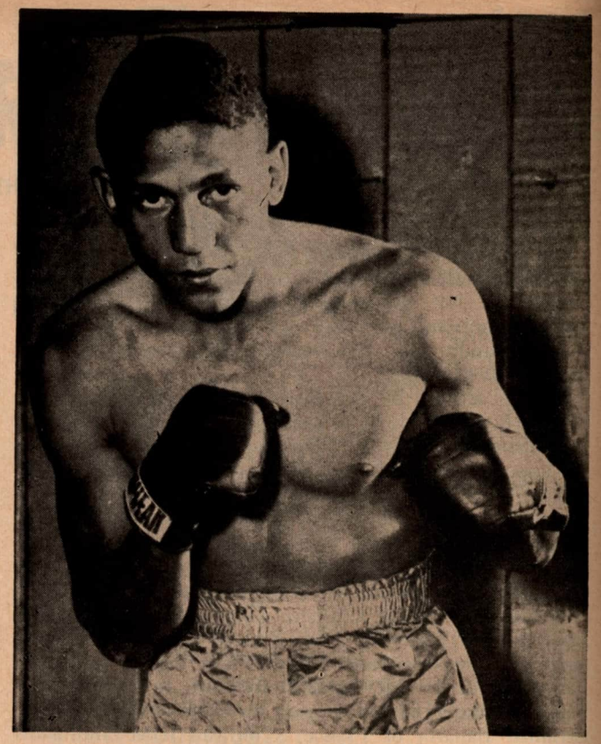
Emergence of Benny Paret and Federico Thompson is boon to division that had lost glamour.



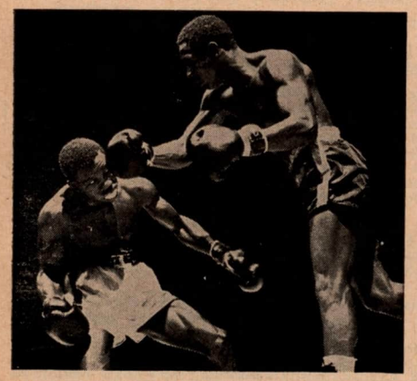
FEDERICO THOMPSON



Don Jordan, welterweight champion of the world, who meets Benny Paret in a title defense this month.

WELTERS EVOKE

By NAT LOUBET



Thompson (left) invites Paret in to close quarters during recent Madison Square Garden match that ended in a draw and gained for Federico the right to meet Jordan-Paret winner.

FEDERICO THOMPSON is the newest foreigner to invade the U.S.A. with notable success.

Recently a fight took place in New York's Madison Square Garden between Benny Paret and Federico Thompson, presumably for the right to meet Don Jordan for the welterweight championship of the world.

Actually Paret had signed to meet Jordan prior to his meeting with Thompson, so sure was "The Kid" of winning. Paret had won this right by a good record, sparked by two wins over top-ranked Charley Scott. At the time of their first meeting Scott was the No. 1 challenger for welterweight honors.

Thompson had his own claims to a shot at the welter bauble; first by being the Argentine champ; also, by his four round knockout of Jordan, the world champ, in a non-title fight in December of 1959.

Boxing tradition usually follows the line that when a fighter defeats a champ in a non-title bout, that fighter has gained a right at a championship match.

Going back to the Paret-Thompson meeting which, to the surprise of the "smart money boys," ended in a draw, the decision caused a good deal of embarrassment in certain areas, since Paret had already signed to meet the champ.

Although analysts had figured that Thompson would have to knock Paret out or win it big to sidetrack the contract existing between the champ and Paret, few considered the possibility of an "even-steven" ending.

The decision, when rendered, caused a period of swift scurrying around by those vitally interested . . . how to decide the vital question: Who would meet Jordan?

Then promotional genius saved the day, an announcement was given out, backed by the NBA, stating that since the fight was a draw Paret would be given first choice at the welter crown.

The brain-truster then went to work by throwing oil on a boiling sea. Thompson was placated by being thrown a bone. If he would go along without causing any trouble he would be guaranteed a shot at the winner within ninety days.

The decision was not a hard one for Thompson to make; actually it was made for him. At least he would get his chance, even if a little belated.

Unlike other fighters who invade American rings he was getting a break. Throughout the years many foreign boxers have made the trip across the water, from Ireland, England, the European Continent, Asia, the South Pacific, all have sent their warriors to battle Uncle Sam's ring men.

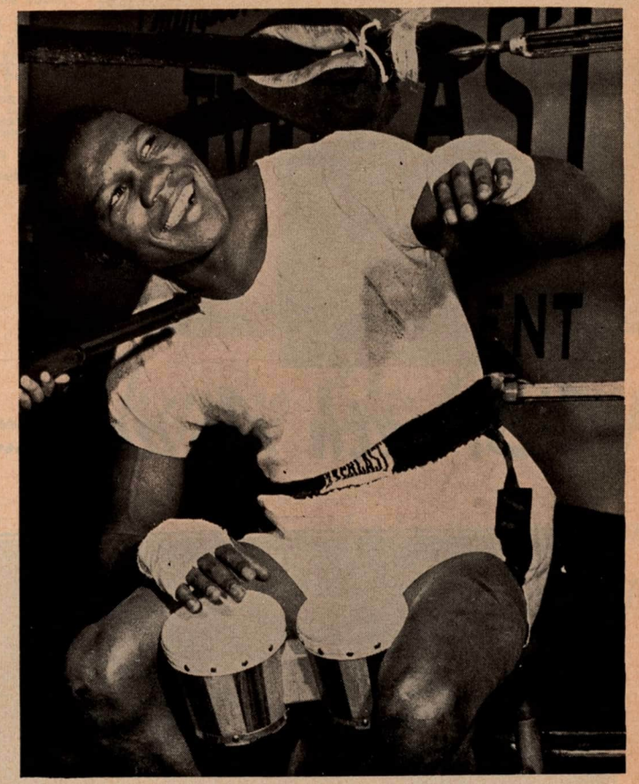
Very few have been successful; most have been journeyman workers, fighters lacking in that spark and polish that makes the champ stand out from the "runs of the mill."

Thompson is one of those who seem to have the ability to make it. His big handicap is his age. Despite the Ray Robinsons and Archie Moores, it is questionable how much a fighter of 32 years has left.

It is hard to gauge whether Thompson has started "over the hill", since U.S. experts have only been able to look him over in his fight with Paret. In that bout he made the moves, had accuracy and power in his punching but seemed to be holding back. Had he poured on the gas could he have gone the route? It was obivous that he was pacing himself but he claimed he could have gone all out. Had he done so he probably would have been declared the winner. But ours is not to judge on 'if" possibilities.

Sometimes the mental makeup of a fighter has a lot to do with the aging process. Mental and physical abuses can lessen a fighter's effectiveness and by the same token moderation and proper training can keep many an athlete in top condition long after the law of averages would have had him sitting at home with his slippers.

You judge what type of man this Thompson is. By comparison with many of the Latins we have known he is greatly less volitile. A transplanted Panamanian, now making his home in Argentina, it is not likely that you would tab him as a fighter if you met him on the street. There are no physical alterations to his good-looking face to give away his trade.



Above: Benny Paret, a crowd pleaser, who gets a crack at the welter title this month.

NEW INTEREST

Easy of manner, poised, with a good command of the English language, he has more facets than the sharpest diamond. He talks with something of a British West Indian accent.

The guy's colorful. Back in 1952, after several years of campaigning, events transpired that shaped up his future.

"I had a manager at that time who was a millionaire.

"One day Amado Jolia (his manager then) told me it is time for us to go to America where I would train for one year and then fight the second year.

"I tell my manager that I don't want to go but want to stay home. This didn't make him happy. About this time offers of a few fights in Argentina came to me.

"I tell my manager that I want to go and he says if I go we are through.

"So, we are through, and I go to Argentina . . . that was in June of 1952. And it was winter down there. Also, I could not speak Spanish and that was hard to get along without.

"My first fight was in July with Gatica and I lost. What could be worse? A hot man in a cold country who spoke English which few understood and who loses his first fight. It seemed like I was fighting the whole world."

What decided him to remain in Argentina?

"Oscar Casanovas, my present manager. He's here in U.S. with me now, he added.

"As I was saying," he continued, *"This Casanovas is a nice guy and he gets me two more fights. I won the second and had a draw my next time out.*

"I'm still ready to go home and then it happened. Through a friend a met Esther. She is Italian and in those days (1952) she didn't speak Spanish nor English. I didn't speak Italian nor Spanish."

He chuckled, stroked his head to aid his memory and appeared to enjoy what he remembered.

He went on: *"It was love, almost at first sight. But we had a peculiar courtship. My friend acted as an interpreter and it got complicated many times, but finally we got married."*

Federico has two children, Federico Jr, 6 and six-months old Mizola.

Thompson shakes his head when he speaks about his six-year old son. *"This language business has mixed up what I do with the boy. His mother has taught him a cross between Italian and Spanish. I can't understand it."*

A bystander suggested that it must be something like the patois so often spoken on the islands. A broken off beat of a pure language.

"That's what it is I guess," he laughed warmly.

Federico was asked how he talks to his wife with the language barrier.

"No trouble," he stated quickly, *"She learn Spanish and so do I . . . common barrier dissolved."*

He refuses to teach Esther English and also doesn't want to learn Italian himself but in Spanish the two of them do a good job.

He's anxious to get back to Argentina where he will remain until he returns for his fight with the winner of the Paret-Jordan setto.

We asked his trainer in the states Freddie Fierro, about the traniing procedures of Thompson.

"One of the easiest men I have ever handled. As an example, what do you think this guy does after a fight? Fellows are all over him to go out on the town, do it up

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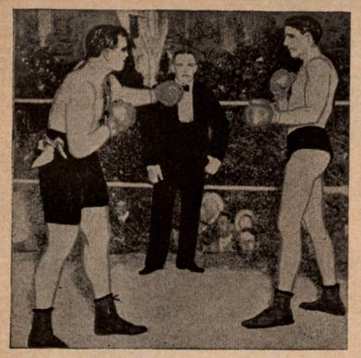


James J. Corbett (right) and James Jeffries square off before their heavyweight championship fight in Coney Island way back in 1900, Corbett way ahead on points was kayoed in the twenty third round, only two rounds from victory.

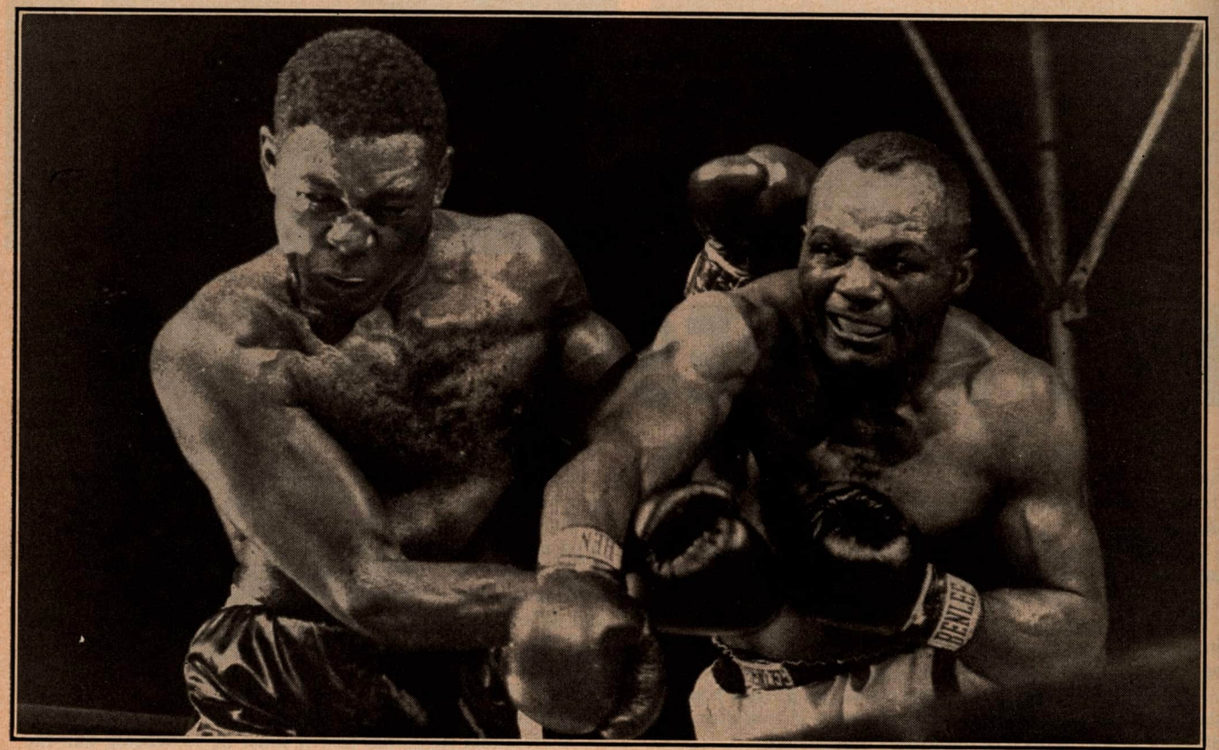
The dejected expression on the face of Joe Louis, shows the feelings of the Brown Bomber following his first meeting with Jersey Joe Walcott. Louis was awarded the split verdict, dispite the fact that Jersey Joe was far ahead on points after twice flooring Louis and giving him a sound pasting. But the two officials who cast their ballots for the champion felt the Walcott's safety-first tactics in the last two rounds should cost him the title.

A Breath Away ..... Champ Or Chump

(The First of Two Parts)

By LEWIS ESKIN

Only a slender thread separates a challenger from a champ



Ezzard Charles absorbs a solid right from Jersey Joe Wolcott in the final round of their Philadelphia battle in which Ezz failed by a hair to recapture his crown.

SO near and yet so far.

How many times have you heard that said of boxers who have reached a certain height and could advance no further? It is true in all walks of life, especially so in the field of sports.

Just an inch one way or the other has made the difference between a champ and a chump. The case in point that is most often recalled in boxing is the fight at the Detroit Olympia Stadium between Jake LaMotta and Laurent Dauthuille for the middleweight crown held by the Bronx Bull.

The date was September 13, 1950. It was not a Friday the 13th, but it should have been.

The blond Gaul who had defeated Jake two years earlier in Montreal before LaMotta had taken the crown from Dauthuille's countryman, Marcel Cerdan, in the same Olympia a year before, was confident that he could repeat his previous triumph. He was sure he would return the title to LaBelle France.

His boastful words appeared to ring true as round after round went by and he was able to turn back all of Jake's efforts. He kept piling up enough points so that as the men awaited the bell for the fifteenth and final round, all three officials had the challenger clearly in front by scores of 72-68; 74-66 and 71-69 in points, and 8-6; 6-4-4 and 7-6-1 in rounds.

The bell sent them on their way, LaMotta, knowing he needed a knockout to save his title, was determined but Laurent would not be denied. One minute; two minutes ticked off the clock and the crowd sensed the crowning of a new champion.

LaMotta had been unable to get through the Frenchman's defense. Then suddenly Dame Fortune frowned on the plucky Dauthuille for Jake crashed two lighting left hooks to the jaw. Laurent shuddered and stumbled.

Like a cat LaMotta moved in. A barrage of punches followed, too quick to count, but Laurent instead of clinching and covering up, tried to fight back like a champion that he appeared to be. That folly proved costly.

Another hook slammed home. The Frenchman sagged and Jake struck again. Slowly, like a rag doll, Dauthuille sank to the canvas.

He tried to struggle to his feet, but to no avail. Only forty-five seconds from the throne room, he was counted out! Caution would have won him the title, but he refrained from using it and was turned back. Despite his great showing, he never was given another opportunity to gain the title.

Caution in another case lost instead of winning a title. Jersey Joe Walcott had the crown in his grasp in his first meeting with Joe Louis in Madison Square Garden on December 5, 1947. Given little chance against Louis, the match first was arranged as an exhibition, but when the New York Commission would not give its approval to such a contest, it was changed to a championship match.

The cagy Walcott was figured as a workout opponent for the Brown Bomber, but nothing could have been further from the truth.

During the first round, a sneak right from Jersey Joe put Louis on the canvas. Again in the fourth round the proud champion was sent to the rosin dust and over the first twelve rounds he was given a boxing lesson by his foe and Walcott was way in front.

Taking no chances, Jersey Joe played it cautious in the next two rounds, yet there were few who did not think a new champion would be crowned as the last round got under way. Told by his corner that the only way he could lose was to be knocked out, Walcott did little but jab and run in those final three minutes. Louis pressed forward but was unable to land on his dancing opponent.

As the final bell peeled, a roar went up for the "new" champion. Louis, tired and disgusted, started to leave the ring before the decision was announced but was restrained by his seconds.

Then came the announcement "The Winner and still Champion, Louis."

Boos and cat-calls filled the huge arena.

Referee Ruby Goldstein had voted for Walcott 7-6-1 and 15-11 in points, but judges Marty Monroe and Frank Forbes had seen Louis the winner. Monroe scored it 9-6 in rounds and 11-10 in points, while Forbes saw it 8-6-1 in rounds but gave the greater number of points to Walcott, 12-9. Under the rules, he could have voted for Walcott had he so desired.

Billy Conn, the Pittsburgh Dancing master who let his "Irish" temper rob him of the heavyweight crown in his first battle with Joe Louis in 1941. Conn outboxing Joe and ahead on all cards decided to trade punches with his bigger and harder hitting foe, cocky he wanted to score a kayo, but was kayoed for his brashness in the thirteenth round.

All three men had scored the last three rounds for Louis. Thus if Walcott had carried the fight in final frames, as he had done in the earlier rounds instead of playing it safe, he could well have been crowned champion.

To this day there are many who saw the fight that night who feel he should have gained the title then and there.

Unlike the others who were tricked by faith in the dying moments, Walcott did get another chance, and another and another, finally winning the title with a stunning seven round kayo of Ezzard Charles in Pittsburgh four years later.

Joe was involved in another squeaker in his defense against Charles in Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium on June 5, 1952. Ezzard came close to doing what has never been done—regain the heavyweight crown after losing it.

Fighting carefully, taking no chances on getting tagged with a kayo punch like the one that had separated him from the crown, Charles fought a dull but seemingly winning fight over the first twelve rounds. There were few exciting moments but nevertheless, Charles' plan of battle was being fought.

The thirteenth and fourteenth rounds passed with the men fighting on even terms and as the final round began, the crown was in Ezzard's grasp, but tired, weary though he was, Walcott did what he should have done against

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PHILIPPINES ARE BACK

By TED CARROLL

PANCHO VILLA, rambunctious Mexican Rebel who raised plenty of ructions in his own land and along the U.S. Border in the early years of this century, among other things, inspired such awe in the far off Philippines that his name also illuminates the boxing record books. Several decades have gone by since a little brown skinned man from these Pacific isles showed up in the states calling himself Pancho Villa and proceeded to astound everyone with a whirlwind display of battling which eventually won him the Flyweight championship of the World. The pugilistic Pancho born Francisco Guilledo in Iloillo, P.I. in 1901 has gone down in ring history as one of the best little boxers of all time, and furthermore as the one who made the rest of the boxing world conscious of the latent fighting ability of these aggressive islanders for the first time.

Although he could never solve the boxing bag of tricks of New York rival Frankie Genaro, Villa's flashing quickness of movement, relentless attack and scintillating style made him one of the standouts of an era in which little fellows enjoyed high favor with the afficionados.

He was the only Filipino ever to win universal recognition as a world champion and he was an outstanding one. Tragedy has dogged the fates of Filipino fighters and its shadow fell across little Pancho who succumbed untimely on July 4, 1925, shortly after losing a ten round decision to up-and-coming Jimmy McLarnin on the coast.

Since Villa made ring history back in the Twenties many others of his race have essayed the trying trade of pugilism, but titles have eluded the persistent little scrappers, therefore it is something of an achievement in the Islands for Flash Elorde to have annexed a claim to a championship, even so tawdry a title as the recently disinterred junior lightweight crown. Elorde, a southpaw, first attracted attention back in 1955 when he startled statesiders by taking a decision over then world featherweight champion Sandy Saddler in an over-the-weight match in Manila.

Although an eye injury brought about his defeat in a return match for the title against the hard hitting Saddler in San Francisco on Jan. 18, 1956 Elorde showed enough in that contest to dispel opinions that his earlier verdict over Sandy had a "home town" taint. He was holding his own up to the time the bout was stopped in the thirteenth round. Since then Elorde, who started out as a bantamweight and has been battling for one or another Oriental championship since 1954, has become recognized lightweight champion of the Orient, but doesn't seem quite up to handling the world ranking lightweights, losing three out of eight last year, among them a setback by Paola Rosi. At 130 pounds the Junior lightweight limit, he is apparently at a natural poundage, and was most impressive bouncing the favored titleholder Harold Gomes off the canvas eight times before the bout was halted in the seventh round on March 16, 1960.

While Elorde can hardly be classed with Villa—after all how many current boxers can be—he is a capable performer and his acquisition of a title—even a synthetic one—can be expected to stimulate boxing activities in the Islands.

The sport had its Asiatic inception there in 1900 when American service men arriving at Uncle Sam's new Pacific outpost, introduced fisticuffs to the indigenes. The "George Washington" of Boxing in the Philippines, Frank Churchill, was an itinerant boxing promoter who showed up there back at the turn of the century and put on matches between Uncle Sam's soldiers and sailors. For a long time Filipinos limited themselves to watching the servicemen perform while clinging fondly to the national sport of cock fighting for their main divertisement; but when one intrepid pioneer Paul Gyn, put on the gloves and astounded the natives by beating some soldier fighters a wave of national fervor caused a stampede of aspirants, culminating in the discovery and achievements of Pancho Villa.

Villa wasn't the first to display better than average prospects, in fact Churchill himself, probably swayed by sentiment, always insisted that the first Filipino to campaign internationally, Dencio Cabanela, was the best of them all. Cabanela never got a real chance to make Churchill's judgment valid, since he died in Australia following a bout with Aussie Bert McCarthy at the age of twenty-one.

Villa's huge success in this country precipitated an invasion of the States by fellow Filipinos which continued for some years. These included Elino Flores, competent lightweight of the Twenties, Pete Sarmiento, club fighting bantam of the Villa era, Lope Tenorio, a slugging 140 pounder, Johnny Hill, a "mestizo" of great promise who never got serious enough about training to capitalize on his considerable talent, and the unfortunate Clever Sencio. Sencio was the third of the tragic triangle formed by Cabanela, Villa and himself. He passed on following a bout with Bud Taylor in 1926.

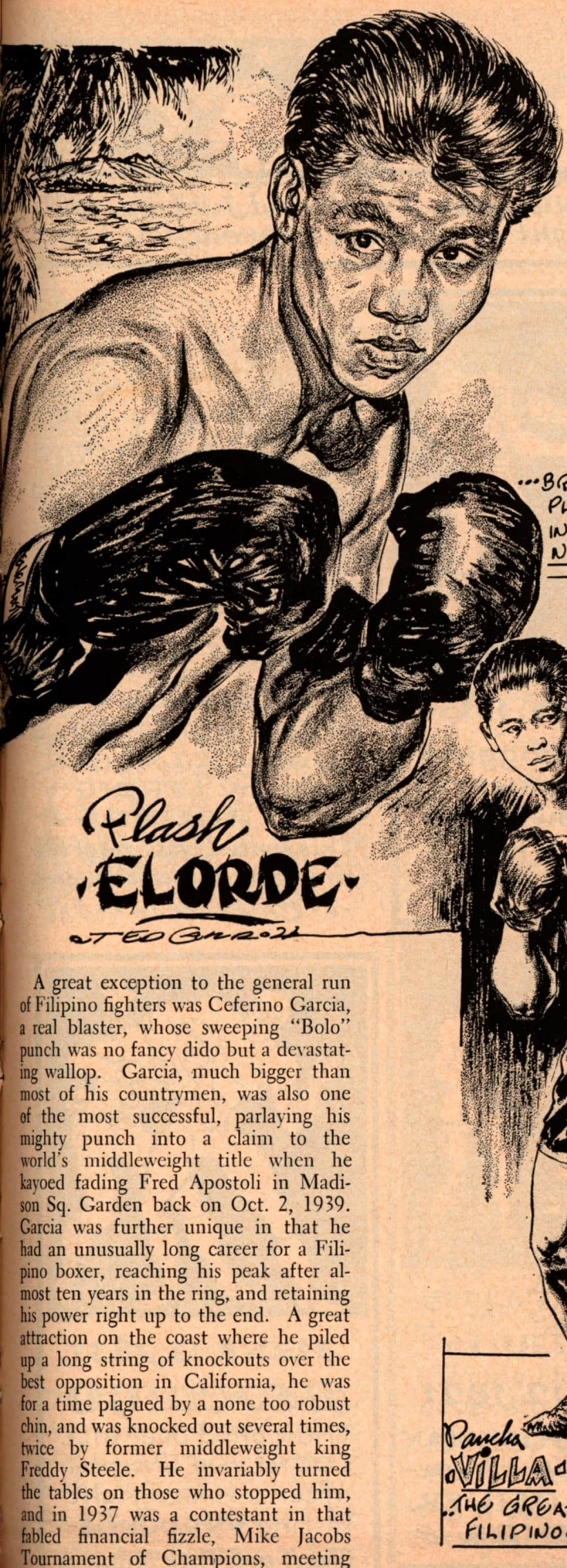
Small Montana was the last Filipino to be in the championship coterie. A clever little flyweight, he gained the American flyweight title and partial world recognition, when he defeated Midget Wolgast on Sept. 16, 1935.

Since they are a small people racially, their physical proportions have concentrated most of the Filipino talent into the littler classes, and at one time Pacific Coast rings were swarming with such diminutive dynamos as Young Nationalista, Pancho Dencio, Young Tommy, Little Dempsey, Speedy Dado and Little Dado. The current Ring ratings show four Islanders among the first ten in the smaller classes, Leo Espinosa and Danny Kid among the bantams and Dommy Ursua and Larry Pineda among the flyweight elect.

Perpetual motion maulers as a rule, Filipino fighters are seldom pulverizers, although there was a Filipino featherweight active in the mid-west twenty five years ago—Johnny Datto—who packed plenty of power in his mitts. Ignacio Fernandez, a long shot, who once scored a stunning kayo over New York favorite Al Singer was another little fellow who was dangerous. Filipino Kid Moro provided some unusually stubborn competition for Henry Armstrong when Henry was coming along.

Garcia had gained this opportunity by virtue of a controversial contest in Ross' native Chicago, where Garcia's crowd—howling in protest—claimed a shortened round had given Ross respite after Ceferino had dropped him in the very first round. They further charged that the "felony" had been compounded by an outrageous call giving the battered Ross the decision on Nov. 29, 1935. The going was again rough for Ross in the second meeting between the two, but the stout hearted Chicagoan survived Garcia's blistering blasts to eke out a narrow verdict and retain his title.

In 1938 in Madison Sq. Garden not even a tremendous weight edge bolstered by his mighty bolo, could hold off unrelenting Henry Armstrong when Garcia met Hank for the triple champion's welterweight title and Armstrong hurricaned his way to victory over the desperately resisting Garcia. The pair met again on the coast on March 1, 1940, this time with Garcia's middleweight crown on the line and Garcia salvaged a draw out of ten torrid rounds.



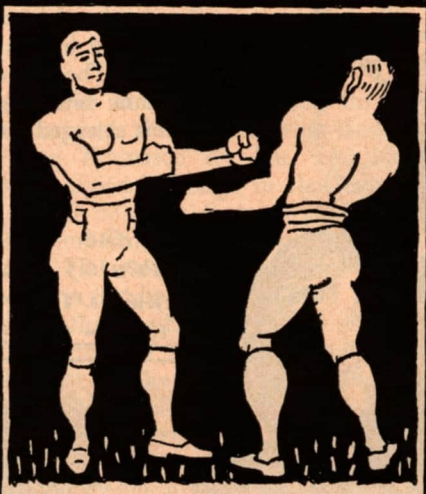
A great exception to the general run of Filipino fighters was Ceferino Garcia, a real blaster, whose sweeping "Bolo" punch was no fancy dido but a devastating wallop. Garcia, much bigger than most of his countrymen, was also one of the most successful, parlaying his mighty punch into a claim to the world's middleweight title when he kayoed fading Fred Apostoli in Madison Sq. Garden back on Oct. 2, 1939. Garcia was further unique in that he had an unusually long career for a Filipino boxer, reaching his peak after almost ten years in the ring, and retaining his power right up to the end. A great attraction on the coast where he piled up a long string of knockouts over the best opposition in California, he was for a time plagued by a none too robust chin, and was knocked out several times, twice by former middleweight king Freddy Steele. He invariably turned the tables on those who stopped him, and in 1937 was a contestant in that fabled financial fizzle, Mike Jacobs Tournament of Champions, meeting Barney Ross for the welterweight title.

With no commission restrictions to inhibit their originality, Filipino fighters undoubtedly hold the "funny name" championships. Such nomenclative oddities as Nursery Kid, Little Cesar, Little Independence, Little Dempsey, Angel Boy, Wailing Wailing Junior, Fighting Sam Carlos, and Arab Junior are past and present identifications of the little scrap-

Frank Churchill has long since passed on, but the seeds he planted in the Philippines still continue to sprout such standard bearers as newly crowned junior lightweight titleholder Flash Elorde.

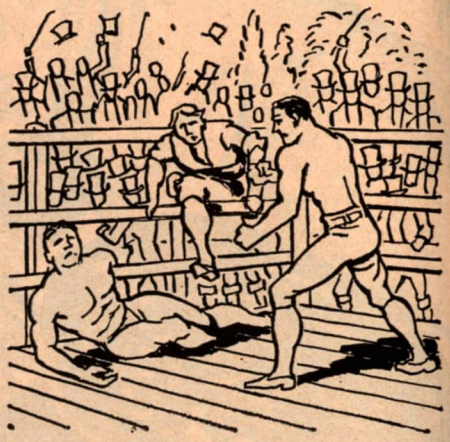
"... And let the records of the RING, with Truth and Justice, tell
That nobly he maintain'd the fight — without reproach he fell."

Blood, Bone, Action, and Game



JUNE 6, 1815

Jack Scroggins
VANQUISHED
Bill Nosworthy
15 ROUNDS
... Moulsey Hurst ...



JUNE 8, 1824

The GREAT REMATCH!
THOMAS WINTER SPRING
vs. JACK LANGAN
won by SPRING --
76 ROUNDS
This contest was one of the fairest battles ever witnessed.
... Chichester ....

JUNE 11, 1746

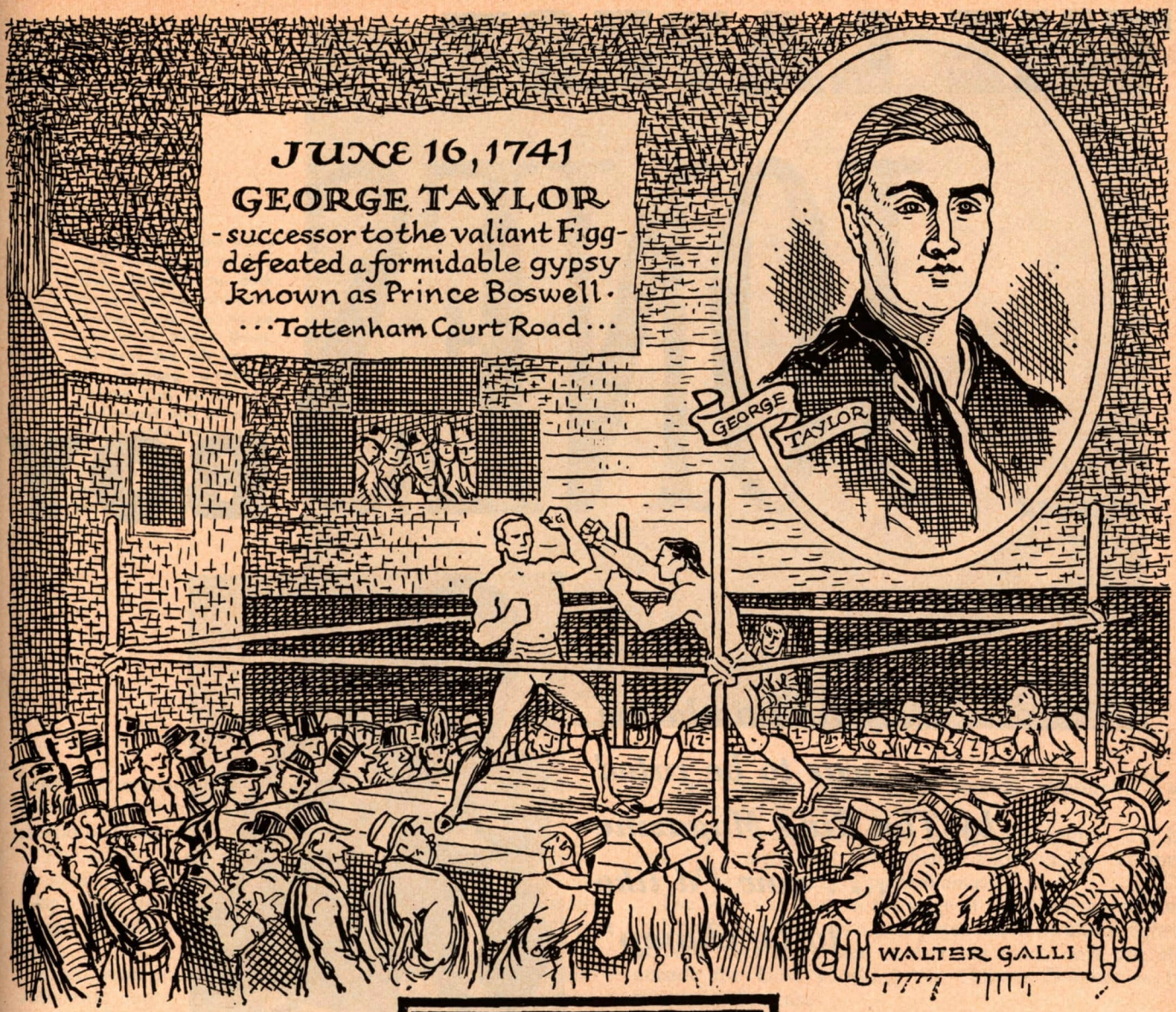
EDWARD HUNT — a remarkable little pugilist, weighing but 126 pounds, won over Hawksley — the Life-guardsman — who weighed 238 pounds.
Broughton's Amphitheatre

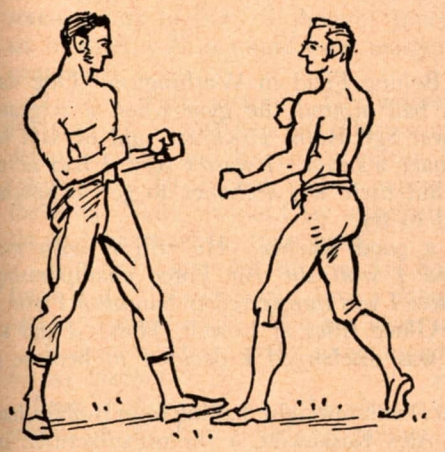
JUNE 12, 1821

THOMAS HICKMAN
— the Gas-light Man —
beat TOM OLIVER
9 ROUNDS
Blindlow Heath, in Surrey

JUNE 13, 1837

BENDIGO
triumphed over BILL LOONEY of Liverpool
after a HARD fight
lasting 99 ROUNDS!
Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire





JUNE 18, 1819

NED TURNER won in magnificent style over Cy. DAVIS "the Gay Bristol Boy"

32 ROUNDS

Wallingham Common in Surrey

JUNE 19, 1827

SAMUEL EVANS "Young Dutch Sam" severely MILLED DICK DAVIS - "the Pet of Manchester"

30 ROUNDS

···Stony Stratford···

JUNE 22, 1795

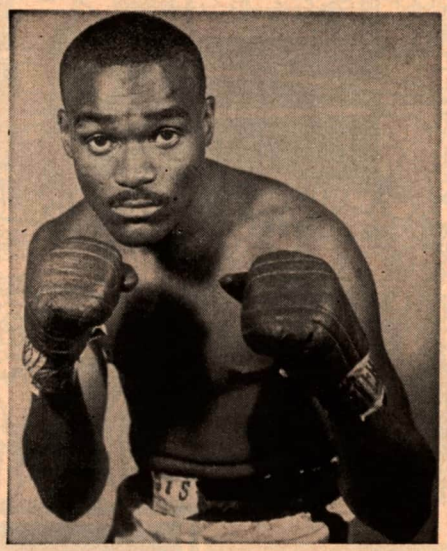
After a MOST desperate battle, lasting forty-eight minutes, Bill Hooper - *the Tinman* - was victorious over Bill Wood.

···*Hounslow Heath*···

THE LATEST JONES BOY

By
AL BUCK

SAYS:
"My first ambition was to be rated by The Ring Magazine . . . now I'd like to be champ"



A YOUNG man of 23 has his dreams, but already Douglas Davis Jones has realized one of his two ambitions. He has yet to make his debut on television, and for those who don't know Douglas Davis, other than he is one of the Jones boys, he is a six foot light-heavyweight. The boxing critics are agreed the lanky New Yorker has a bright future.

Although undefeated Jones didn't attract much attention until he won from Von Clay, muscular and aggressive Philadelphian, in a slashing battle at the St. Nicholas Arena, a New York City landmark, and the oldest boxing club in the United States.

The victory put Jones into the World Ratings, published monthly in The Ring, and secure in the first 10 light-heavyweights, he is a contender for the title held by Archie Moore. It is worthy of note that Moore's long career started the year before Jones was born.

"When I turned pro my first ambition was to become a rated fighter," Jones said. *"Now I'd like to get to be champ."*

How did it all start? What decided Jones to make boxing his career?

"A chance to get into Special Service," he replied. *"In 1956 I enlisted in the Air Force. I had graduated from Brooklyn Automotive School, but I had never been much of an athlete. The only sport I had fooled around with was basketball.*

"I was sent to Bolling Field in Washington. One day I was bouncing a ball around the gym when a sergeant came along. He was Sgt. Rollie Hockmer, and he said he thought I might make a boxer. I wasn't sure, I had never done any boxing, but there was a chance to get in Special Service. I decided to try.

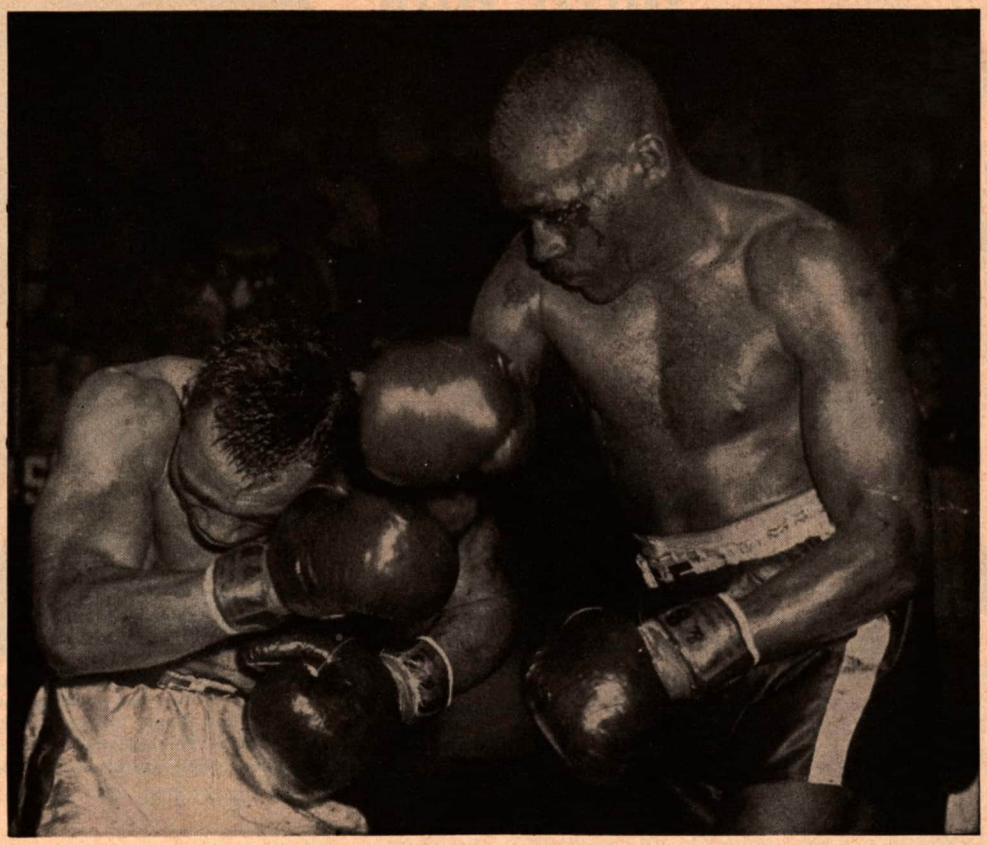
"Hockmer was a good teacher. He still is with me. Once I got started I won the Air Force championship at 165 pounds. After I was transferred to Sampson I won a couple of Golden Glove titles at Lowell, Mass. I did so well that when I was discharged I decided to become a professional boxer."

Hockner, a former bantamweight, hailing from Buffalo, had been managed by Alex Koskowitz, a fur manufacturer, in New York City. Koskowitz had handled Hockmer, and when his enlistment was up he ended an eight year career in the Air Force to be with Jones. He is still teaching the young fighter, who has developed into an accurate puncher.

Jones' right hand is always on target. He favors a right cross, and a right hand uppercut. For a tall, rangy individual he does not get the effect he should from a left jab. At least that was my observation watching him win from Clay.

"That was my toughest fight," Jones said.

What made it tough was that in the first 30 seconds of the bout he was cut above the left eye. It was three rounds



Doug Jones slams away with both hands as Von Clay attempts to duck away from his tormentor during their ten round war at St. Nick's. Doug, cut over the left eye in the opening moments, floored Clay in the second round and gave his highly rated foe a sound drubbing as he fought his way into the RING's top ten with his fourteenth straight victory.

before his seconds could stop the bleeding, and the Commission doctor visited his corner twice to determine if he should be allowed to continue.

The wound was a handicap, and Jones says it forced him to alter his style somewhat. He unloaded his right on Clay's jaw in the second, and when the Philadelpian staggered, followed through with left, right, left and another right.

Clay went down. He struggled up at four, and as the automatic count reached six the bell came to his rescue. It was a hard fight, and referee Petey Della scored it even in rounds, but made Jones the winner on the knock down, seven points to five. I thought Jones had a comfortable six to three with a round even margin. The decision was unanimous.

It was a costly victory. The winner was to box Willie Pastrano at Miami Beach. This would have been Jones' debut on TV, and his largest purse. The gash above the eye required 10 stitches, and of course Jones couldn't keep the date. Neither could Clay substitute, as he had fractured the first finger on his right hand.

"When I came out of the Air Force I got married," Jones said. "Shirley and I have a daughter, Theresa, a year and eight months old. We live in an apartment.

"I should like to make some money, and buy a house for my Mother."

Jones' father died when he was an infant. He is taking lessons on the drums, his only hobby. He thinks he'd like to go to college, or at least improve his education, if he is ever financially able to do so.

"Doug's a fine fellow. He's a real family man," said Koskowitz. "I am going to buy him a set of drums. Occassionally, when he isn't training he works for me at the factory.

"Wets the furs, or piles them. Things like that.

"I don't cut him. Last year he made around $3,000 fighting. His largest purse so far has been $1,000 for boxing Clarence Floyd in a semi-final at the Garden. After expenses he took home about $800.

"I think his best fight was against Juan Pomare. It was the first time he had gone 10 rounds. Naturally I was nervous about the distance.

"Pomare is a strong fellow, and a good fighter. He had won five straight, but Doug handled him easily. To me it was his most impressive performance."

The bout was held on the stage of the Academy of Music in New York City. As a pro, Jones has done all his fighting in New York State, and in fact has made only one start outside the City, knocking out Gunner Doerner in two rounds at Syracuse.

Jones made his professional debut at Madison Square Garden on Aug. 22, 1958. Gil Turner, veteran Philadelphia welterweight, defeated Stefan Redl of Germany in the main event, while Jones won from Jimmy McNair in a four rounder. He has been winning ever since.

In his brief career Jones has made 14 starts. He has scored seven knockouts and won seven decisions. A strong booster for the young light-heavyweight is Teddy Brenner, Madison Square Garden matchmaker.

"I consider him to be a top contender. Moore, the champion, is ageless, but he can't go on forever. Harold Johnson is going on 32. Eliminate Erich Schoppner, who is going to fight Archie for the title, and the light-heavyweight is a dead division.

"Taking Jones' build, he's tall and loose, I would think he'd grow up to be a heavyweight."

"I suppose I will eventually," Jones answered when asked if he would invade the heavyweight division. "That is where the money is."

"He has no difficulty doing the 175-pound light-heavyweight limit," was Koskowitz's cautious reaction to the Garden matchmaker's suggestion.

There is no substitute for experience. In that Jones is lacking. Behind him are 14 victories. The road ahead is long and hard, and in spots it will be rough. There will be detours, and there will be washouts to avoid.

Having been over it together, Koskowitz and Hockmer are agreed that Jones is not to be rushed along the trail.

"When I managed Hockmer he was a little fellow weighing

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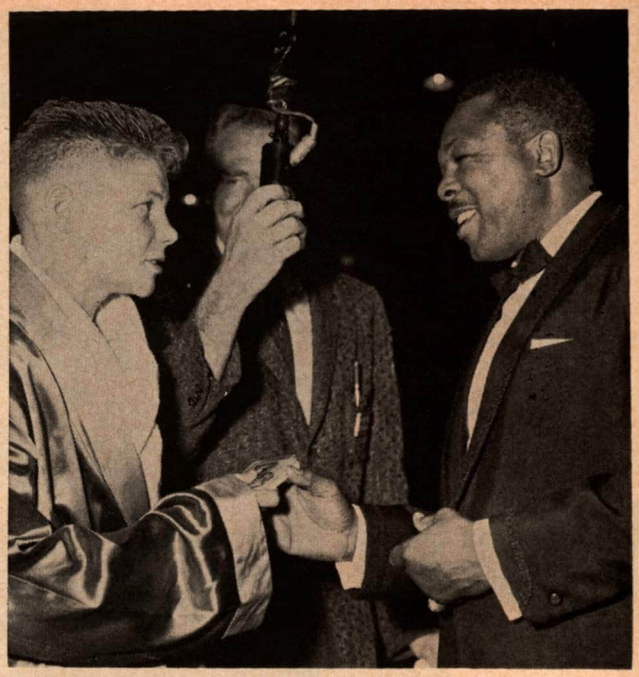
WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

By DON WEINSTEIN

MARINE Corps Recruit Depot. The flashy Marine Corps Recruit Depot boxing squad continued its winning ways over inter-service competition last week at Edwards Air Force Base to sweep seven of the ten weight division championships, gain 16 team points and stroll off with the over-all title in the Edwards Invitational Inter-Service Championships.

Seven Devildog fighters, five of them repeaters from the San Diego Evening Tribune-AAU bouts the week before, marched through the all-service field to their respective weight titles.



World light heavyweight champ, Archie Moore congratulates Marine Corp's Ed O'Brien on winning the Evening Tribune AAU bantam crown at San Diego, California. Ed, a member of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, defeated the former title holder Charlie Brown to gain his honors. He was also nominated as the evening's outstanding fighter.

Fort Jackson, South Carolina championship tourney comes to a close and seen here are the First Regiment finalists. (L to r) Major General Christian H. Clarke, Commanding General of Fort Jackson; Willard Hughes, runner up in flyweight division; Leroy Faulk, runner up in lightweight class; David Honea, runner up in welter class; Carl Henry, runner up in light heavyweight class; Edward Pierce, middleweight champ; Arthur Frank, heavy champ; Sergeant First Class Harold Gentry, First Regiment boxing coach; and Colonel Chester H. Dunning, Commanding Officer of the First Regiment.

Ramon Rosales, Jim Blackshear, Paul Fujii, Maurice Frilot, and Teddy Shore banded together in the winner's circle to prove that their earlier titles were not flukes, while Charlie Brown and Fred Arnold also muscled their way into the select group.

Brown, Fujii and Blackshear supplied the most interesting action of the winning seven-man field on their way to their titles.

Brown, one of the highest-regarded of the MCRD fistic prospects, dropped a split decision to teammate Ed O'Brien in the AAU fights the previous week, but came back to stop his young bantamweight opponent on a TKO at 2:30 of the third round in a return engagement.

Fujii, who paralyzed everything in sight two weeks ago, kept up the convincing work by cooling Adarkies Justice and Clifford Townsend, both of Fort Lewis, to earn the "Outstanding Fighter" award he narrowly lost to O'Brien the last time around.

Blackshear clung to his crown with the usual display of competence, convincing Navy fans that his AAU fight with

the highly touted Ed Driver of the Naval Hospital whom he knocked out, the first time around, was no fluke by dropping him for the count again in the first round at Edwards.

Rosales TKO'd John Cooper of Fort Lewis after one minute and three seconds of the second round of their final match.

Arnold decisioned Pablo Monyoya of Fort Lewis, Frilot decisioned Vertic Garret of Barstow and Shores captured a split decision from Theodore Phillips of Point Mugu.

Depot light-heavyweight Dan Stepniewski dropped a unanimous decision to Jose Gallegos of Fort Lewis to become the only Devildog boxer to lose in the finals.

The San Diegans had no one competing in the finals of the light-middleweight or heavyweight divisions during the two night affair with light-middleweight Roosevelt Sanders losing a split decision to Clarence Petty of Fort Lewis on the opening night and heavyweight L. C. Shields not competing.

The Devildogs top total of 16 points put them six up on runner-up Fort Lewis and 14 ahead of third place Barstow.

FORT JACKSON, S. C.

▶Fort Jackson, S. C.–Ten amateur boxers became title-holders at Fort Jackson, when 52 boxers met in round-robin pairings to contest Fort Jackson's annual boxing championships.

Six teams, representing each of the larger military units at this Infantry Training Center, slugged it out for the Commanding General's trophy, and the end result hinged on the final bout.

Arthur Frank of Philadelphia earned a decision in the heavyweight title match over Alexander DeLucia of Syracuse, to push Frank's First Training Regiment team out in front by one point for the team trophy.

Two days of eliminations, a day of semi-finals, and the final evening's title bouts were all conducted under AAU, three two-minute rounds, rules. They were all refereed by Don Fusci, a former Baltimore Colt and Philly Eagle's football player now living in nearby Columbia, S. C.

Three of the fights on the championship card ended via the knockout route. The light-welterweight, middleweight and light-heavyweight clashes were decided by this method.

In the shortest fight of the evening, Mathew Johnson, of Fort Myers, Fla., copped the light heavyweight crown by stopping Carl Henry of Iota, La., at 1:38 of the initial round. Johnson set up his opponent with a long looping right to the head and polished him off with a wicked uppercut to the jaw. Henry was knocked cold and was still dazed as he left the ring.

In the middleweight title conflict, Edward Pierce of Elizabethtown, Tenn., added five points to the First Regiment's total as he was awarded a TKO at :40 of the final round over Harold Gaston, Miami, Fla.

After concentrating on the mid-section in the first two rounds, Pierce came out fast in the third and decked Gaston with a right to the head. Dazed, Gaston got to his feet at the count of eight but referee Don Fusci stepped in and stopped the action.

Gilbert Jackson, Philadelphia, Pa., fighting for the Fifth Regiment, won the Light-Welterweight crown by a TKO over Archille Vedrine of Ville Platte, La., at 1:50 of the second round. The referee stopped the conflict after Jackson, displaying a devastating right and beautiful combination punches, completely outclassed his opponent.

The Featherweight title was awarded to Paul Frederick, Baltimore, Md., when his opponent from Headquarter's Special Troops, Este Camarena of San Jose, Calif., failed to pass the rigid medical examination given all the fighters prior to the final matches.

Hector Marquez, a native Puerto Rican taking his basic training with the Second Regiment, became kingpin in the flyweight division as he completely outshone Willard Hughes, Courtland, Ala., in the opening bout of the evening.

In one of the most exciting fights on the card, Bobby Bates, Johnson City, Tenn., gave the Third Training Regiment its only victory of the night by outpunching Levi Mitchell, of Durham, No. Carolina, for the Bantamweight diadem.

Fred Johnson captured the Lightweight crown by outpointing Leroy Faulk, in a lacklustre bout.

Veanard Fontenot, a Ville Platte, La., lad with the Second Training Regiment, used his left jab to good advantage and decisioned David Honea, from Atlanta, Ga., for the welterweight title.

The Light Middleweight championship tussle brought together two southpaws–Anthony Jackson of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Raymond McLean, of Washington, D. C. In the opening round, both boys fought cautiously. Action picked up in the second and third chapters with Jackson throwing more leather and connecting more frequently than McLean. The verdict and title was awarded to Jackson by a slim margin.

▶The Nucleus of a Fort Jackson boxing team will be formed from the winners and runners-up of this tournament. The post team will be sent to the Third United States Army Boxing Championships later this year. Handsome trophies were awarded to all individual winners and the second-place Fifth Training Regiment.

▶Major General Christian H. Clarke, commanding general of Fort Jackson presented the trophies at the conclusion of the title bouts. Colonel Chester H. Dunning, commander of the First Regiment, accepted the award for his unit and Colonel Frederick G. White, commanding officer of the Fifth Regiment, received the runner-up team trophy.

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Colonel Dunning, CO of Ft. Jackson's 1st Training Regt., receives winners trophy from Major General Clarke, CO of Ft. Jackson. The 1st Training Regiment won the team championship by one point margin in Post boxing tourney.

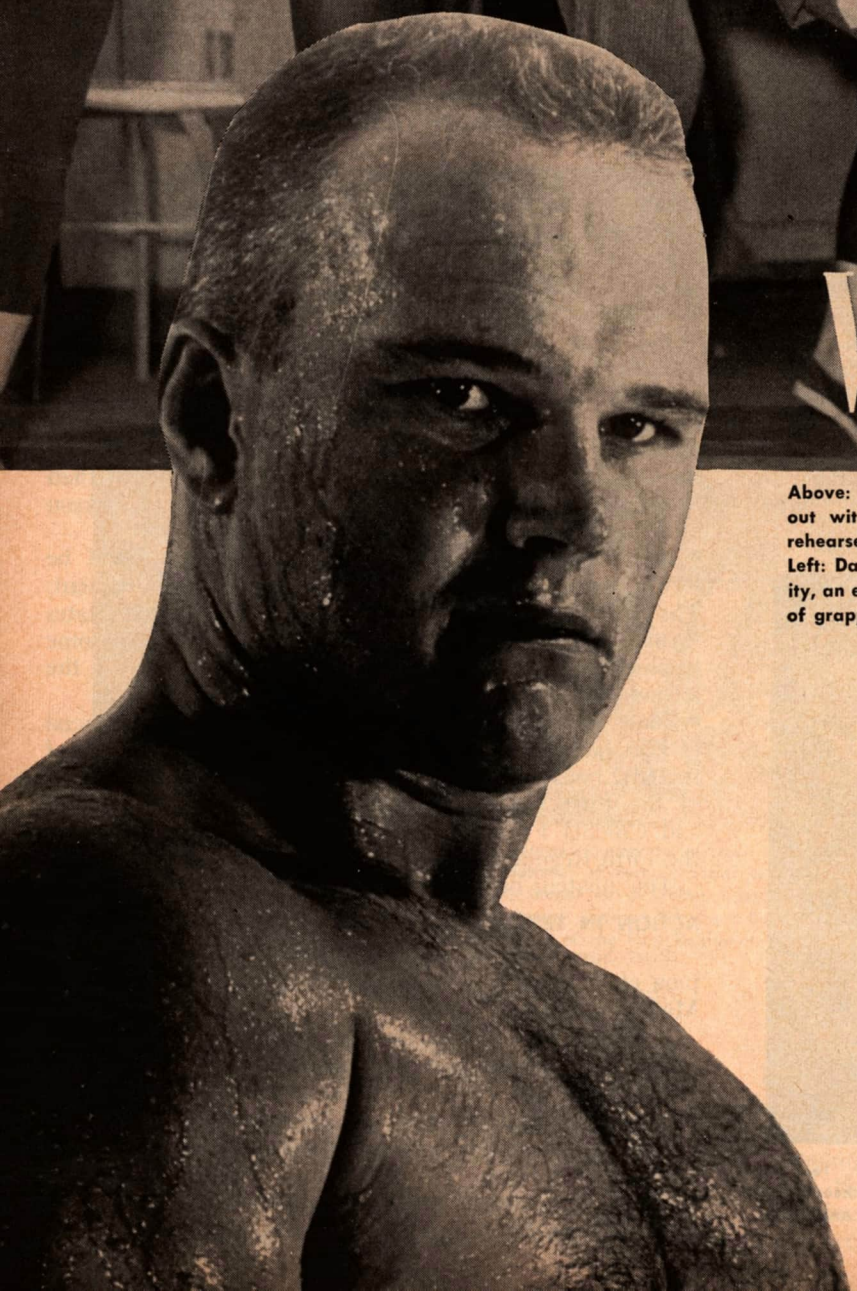
ACTION IN TEXAS

Fort Sam Houston: The new light middleweight champion of the Fourth Army is Rudy Stringer of Brooke Army Medical Center.

A left-jabbing, former Golden Gloves champ from Detroit, Mich., Stringer went through three opponents at Fort Hood, Texas last week to win the crown. He took two of his bouts by decisions and one by a knockout.

Stringer got started in boxing about the same time as his friend, Henry Hank. The two fighters worked out together early in their careers and may run into each other again when Stringer leaves the service to join the pro ranks.

THE MAT WORLD



Above: Mike Mazurki, former wrestler and movie actor, steps out with a bevy of beauties in a hep Charlestown as he rehearses for New York opening of the musical, "Oh Kay". Left: Danny Ford, 237 pounds of muscle and wrestling versatility, an ex-Navy man and collegian he prefers the scientific type of grappling.

FAN CLUB CORNER

WE have received word that the president of the Nelson Royals Fan Club has moved . . . her new address is 9009-96th Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada . . . by the way her name is: Arlene "Peanut" McQueen.

Pamm V. Decker of 220 Park Ave., Paterson 1, New Jersey, writes to notify Bastien Brothers fans that she has just started a club for Lou and Red and those wishing to join may write.

Mrs. "Ma" Lola Bishop, the prexy of the International Torres Brothers FC (Enrique, Ramon & Alberto) has been out of commission with a broken wing but reports that she is now back and ready to roll once again . . . the club . . . 2½ years old, has been a solid performer. . . . Address: 649 Farris Ave., Fresno 4, California.

By NAT LOUBET

A new Fan Club has been set up for Pat O'Connor. President is Alice Holeman of P.O. Box 3265, Chouteau Station, St. Louis 10, Missouri. This is the same club that Alice shared with Kathy Weiss but Kathy has dropped out leaving Alice to head up the entire show . . . we are sure she will do a bang up job. . .

RATINGS

MEN	WOMEN
1: Pat O'Connor	1: June Byers
2: Edouard Carpentier	2: Fabulous Moolah
3: Killer Kowalski	3: Nell Stewart
4: Ronnie Etchison	4: Judy Grable
5: Enrique Torres	5: Barbara Baker
6: Pampero Firpo	6: Penny Banner
7: Ricki Starr	7: Joyce Scott
8: Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers	8: Mary Jane Mull
9: Fred Blassie	9: Fran Korvette
10: Joe Christy	10: Mara Baker

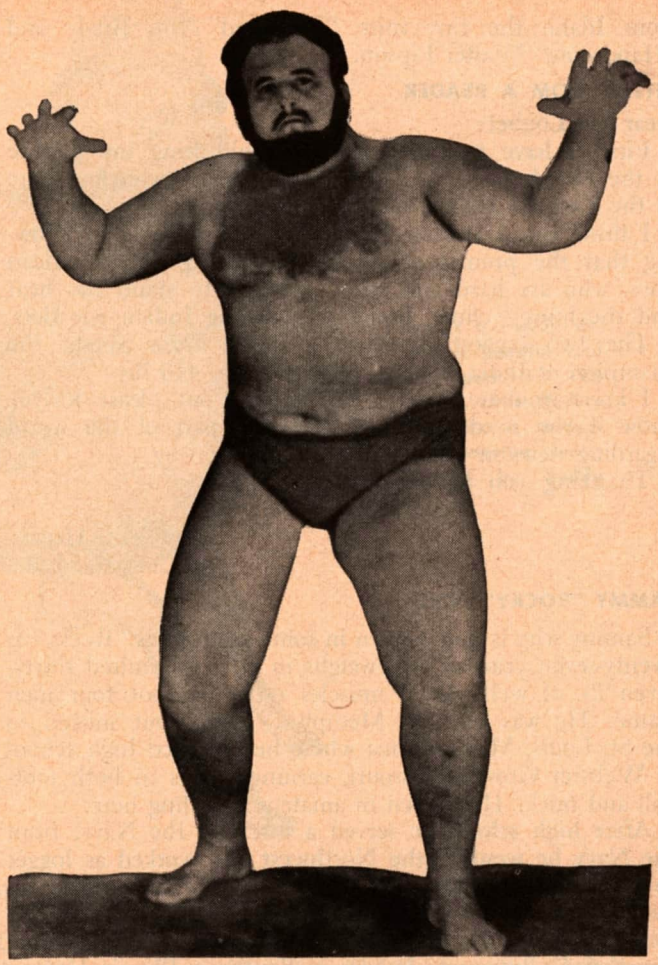
TAG TEAM

1: The Sharpe Brothers
2: The Gallagher Brothers
3: The Kangaroos
4: Mark Lewin & Don Curtis
5: Antonino Rocca & Miguel Perez
5: The Bastien Brothers
7: The Kalmikoff Brothers
8: Donn & Ted Lewin
9: Jack Fargo & Don Stevens
10: The Tolos Brothers

"NEW ENGLAND'S WRESTLING SCORE"

Tony Santos, New England's wrestling promoter announces that wrestling is going great guns all around the New England states such as Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine and parts of Canada and the south.

Ricki Starr was spotted by the candid camera in a heart warming position with the glamorpuss songster Connie Francis. The shot was taken backstage at the teen age jamboree at West Hempstead, N. Y. Incidently, Ricki is readying a night club act. Critics who have had an advance peek say he rates raves.



The gargantuan King Kong Czaja, a 410 pound mound of muscle, who holds the Oriental title.

Many of the top mat men today were started by Santos, just to name a few, The Amazing Zuma who recently packed the Madison Square Garden, the German Storm Troopers Fritz and Karl Von Eric, and the Oklahoma cyclone Jesse James and the east coast heavyweight champion "Killer" Douglas. In the women's division recently campaigned throughout the New England States and parts of Canada and recognized as the "World's Champion Lady Wrestler" Miss Alma Mills, the fabulous Lake sisters Ann and Ruth Lake. His latest up and coming stars are "The Perfume Hollywood Honey" Golden Boy Dupree, Eddie Ortiz known as "Mr. Puerto Rico of 1960" and the Canadian beauty Lucille Dupree, also "Black Ozzie", the wrestling's 400 pound black bear, who is touring around New England and Canada wrestling Miss Alma Mills.

Other wrestlers in the territory are: Bull Montana of Detroit, Mich., Gentleman Nick Valley who hails from Montreal, Canada, "The Flying Frenchmen" Dick Marquis and "The Russian Mad Man" Ivan Strogoff, the newest Nature Boy of the mat Mario "Nature Boy" Marlino, the new teenage Idol "Cowboy" Ronnie Hill and the pride of Greece Prince Omar, from parts unknown the "Mysterious Hooded Black Terror", "Red" O'Malley from Philadelphia, Penn. Attlesboros Al Poholik, the energy kid "Buzz" Orio, Tony Enos "The inspiration of youth" and the pride of the marines "Sgt." Chuck Conley and the new 'Sonnenburg of the mat" Red Joe Sasso.

In the Midget division there are such stars as: World's Champion Vincent Garibaldi, from Italy. Sir Robert Randall, who hails from London, England, former world's champion Sonny Boy Cassidy of Providence, Rhode Island, also

from Idaho the tiny mite "Diamond" Jim Brady and "Handsome" Walter Lipson.

LETTER FROM A READER

Dear Mr. Loubet:

First, I have to thank you for publishing my picture in the March issue. All the boys who are wrestling here in the East are readers of The Ring.

I think the American public will be interested in knowing that the promoters are keen to bring out American boys, who are hard and strong enough to stand the heat and the humid clime, besides the strong Indian wrestlers.

The two biggest drawing cards are Dara Singh, the champion of India and King Kong Czaja, 410 lbs.

I know you are a very busy person, but please let me know if you need anything from this part of the world regarding news or what ever it is.

Thanking you again,

Yours Truly in Sport

Baron Von Heczey
Calcutta, India

SAMMY "ROCKY" FORD

Sammy who is now known in some sections as "Rocky" is twenty-seven years of age, weighs in at two hundred thirty-seven lb. of well placed muscles on a six foot four inch frame. He was born in Memphis, Tenn., but moved to the St. Louis, Missouri area where he attended high school at Webster Groves, Missouri, earning letters in both football and track. He started in amateur wrestling here.

After high school he served a hitch in the Navy, from the Navy he went to the Northwest and worked as logger in the woods of Idaho, Oregon and California building up a strong body.

After a year he returned to the midwest and entered Shurtleff College now known as Southern Illinois University, where he again earned letters in football and track and was a wrestling instructor.

Sammy helped work his way through college by being a deputy sheriff at nights. He also won a "Mr. Altons" best built man contest and still has a winners physique.

After college Sammy again headed for the Northwest, this time working as a lumberjack, building up power and muscles and helping it along by wrestling all comers the rough and tumble lumberjack style. Sammy then went into professional wrestling, but the last two years has devoted quite a bit of his time getting a business started and this summer he got it on a paying basis. Now he is devoting more time to his wrestling.

Sammy prefers the scientific type of grappling. He is still single, likes a good T bone steak (who doesn't) and his hobbies in summer is speed boating, and he also enjoys and likes water skiing. In winter he likes to hunt big game.

BABY CHERYL

"I'm ready to take on all comers . . .", says Baby Cheryl. Miss Cheryl is 88 pounds packed into a solid frame standing only 43 inches in height.

She was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Cheryl is of normal size, 5 ft. 7 inches, but Mom Cheryl, like her daughter, is also a wee girl . . . 41 inches tall.

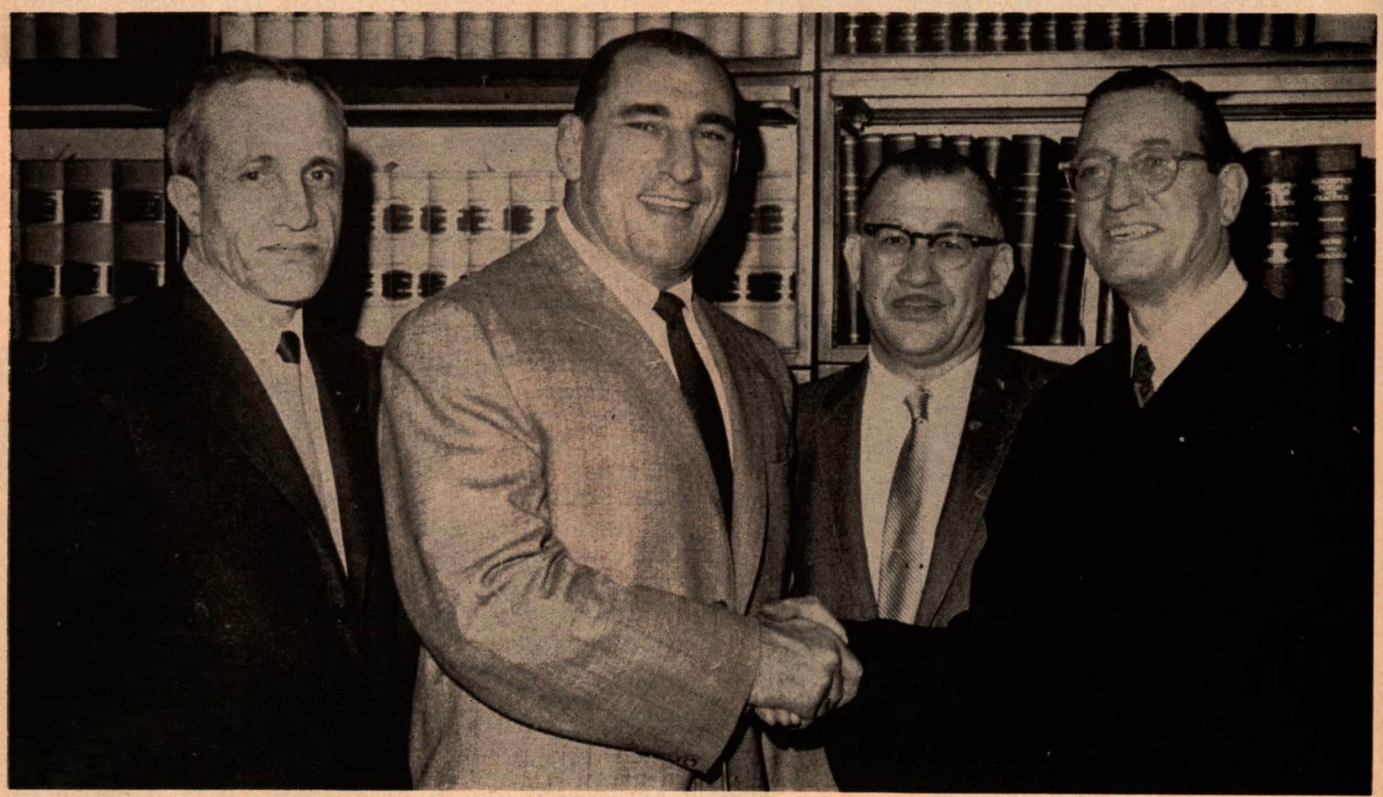
Baby, a high school graduate and also a graduate of Automation Institute, where she took a course in I. B. M., never dreamed of becoming a wrestler. But, after graduating from Automation Institute, she found it impossible to get employment because of her size.

Broken-hearted, but still seeking employment, Baby received a long distance phone call from Buddy Lee, a booking agent, who manages some of America's foremost female wrestlers. He offered her a proposition that was too good to turn down, so Baby accepted and started training the following week.

"I'm in the business to make money and to conquer the female midgets championship title. I issue this warning to all so-called 'scientific cuties' to 'beware, sister'. When you enter the ring with me, I'm out to win and there's no holds barred. I can't put up with the 'fragile type' . . ." says Miss Cheryl.

LITTLE DARLING DAGMAR

Little Darling Dagmar . . . a mere 86 pounds . . . only 41 inches in height . . . as pert a combination of midget



The one and only Antonino Rocca, bare-footed favorite of wrestling fans is sworn in as an American citizen. He is being congratulated by Supreme Court Justice Anthony J. Di. Giovanna while U. S. Commissioner Salavatore Abruzzo and Joseph Governale are witnesses.

Here's a howdy do, and a handful too! The pert 41" 86 pound, Little Darling Dagmar, a midget girl wrestler being booked by Buddy Lee.

muscle and beauty you ever will see.

Little Dagmar was born and raised in Winston-Salem, N. C., where she was born of a normal family, her mother being 5 ft. 5 inches and her father 5 ft. 9 inches, plus two sisters and one brother.

In addition to wrestling, Dagmar has a wonderful voice, and has made a few discs for her own use. . . . Rock and roll, rhythm and blues, country and western numbers. On many occasions, while being interviewed on TV or radio, the announcer will ask this little blonde bombshell to sing one of her favorite songs.

After graduating from high school, Dagmar devoted all her time in training to become a professional wrestler, but now claims it was worth every moment because she is a top wage earner.

Dagmar's favorite holds are the Airplane Spin and the Giant Swing. The "Miss Marilyn Monroe" of Wrestling has captured the hearts of many wrestling fans with her clean scientific style . . . but she can also turn on the heat when her opponent uses foul tactics.

If ever a good word could be applied to one person in the wrestling profession, it could be applied to Dagmar.

CALIFORNIA NEWS ***By Ren Thompson***

The wrestling season is in full swing in California with such stars of the mat game as Edouard Carpentier, Hans Hermann, Mr. Moto, Lou Thesz, Gene "Big Daddy" Lipscomb, Leo Nomellini, Ben and Mike Sharpe, The Fabulous Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan), Enrique Torres and his brothers Ramon and Al, Count Billy Varga, Sandor Szabo, Don Leo Jonathan, Ronnie Etchison, and Wild Red Berry being responsible for healthy attendance figures throughout the state.

Edouard Carpentier, the acrobatic Frenchman from Montreal, has taken the state by storm. He is being billed as the world champion. Carpentier came to California for the first time in January after losing two rough matches to Buddy Rogers in Montreal. Since then he has gone on to win the International Tag Team Title, with Sandor Szabo as his partner, and remains unbeaten in singles matches.

Carpentier and Szabo won the title from long-time champs Count Billy Varga and Hardy Kruskamp at the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles, and later beat the same team in a rematch. Since then they have successfully defended the title by scoring wins over Mr. Moto and Hans Hermann in Los Angeles and San Diego and also over the Costello-Heffernan team in San Diego. Their most recent defense ended in victory over Moto and Bob Langevin, billed here as "Legs" Wilson, in San Diego.

The rough and rugged Sharpe Brothers, Ben and Mike, still possess the World's Tag Team Title, as recognized by the N.W.A. The Sharpes lost a match to Leo Nomellini and Big Daddy Lipscomb in San Francisco recently on a disqualification and under an N.W.A. ruling the title can't change hands on a disqualification. A rematch saw the two teams go to a one hour draw. The Sharpes have recently made appearances in the Southern California area with great success. They have scored wins over the teams of the Great Lotorio and Joe Scarpa, and Sandor Szabo and Mighty Joe in Los Angeles.

Something new in wrestling was introduced in Southern California recently when eight men climbed into the Olympic Auditorium ring for an eight-man tag team match. The team of Mike and Ben Sharpe, Mr. Moto, and Hardy Kruskamp emerged victorious over Sandor Szabo, Big Daddy Lipscomb, Great Lotorio, and George Drake. A similar affair took place in San Diego where the same team of the Sharpes, Moto, and Kruskamp scored a best three out of five fall win over Szabo, Lotorio, Drake, and Joe Scarpa.

Although new to the wrestling game, Gene "Big Daddy" Lipscomb has registered well with the fans with such crowd-pleasing efforts as wins over Mike Sharpe in San Diego and Mr. Moto in Los Angeles. Lipscomb formed a tag team with his fellow Baltimore Colt lineman Don Joyce on entering the wrestling wars, but Joyce headed for greener pastures after their team lost a straight-fall match to the Sharpes in San Francisco.

Lou Thesz recently put his international championship title on the line against Hans Herman in San Diego and

came up with a popular victory. This title was awarded Thesz as a result of his successful tour of Europe last year, and thus is not a direct conflicting claim to Carpentier's world title honors.

Still another title holder in California is Count Billy Varga, the self-styled blue-blood. Varga's arrogance does anything but endear him to the fans, but the Count backs it up by winning his matches. He recently put his American Heavyweight Championship on the line twice in Los Angeles and came up with victories over George Drake and Joe Scarpa.

The Fabulous Kangaroos (Costello and Heffernan) and their faithful sidekick, Wild Red Berry, are still going strong in this area, despite an occasional setback. Carpentier, Szabo and Lotorio recently scored a win over the threesome in a six man tag team match in Los Angeles, but the Kangaroos got back into the winning column by teaming with Clyde Steeves to defeat the threesome of Leo Nomellini, Ramon Torres, and Al Torres in San Francisco. Costello and Wild Red Berry teamed up in a unique match against Carpentier in San Francisco. The Frenchman contracted to beat both men within an hour, and he did. Red was pinned in eleven minutes, and Costello fouled out on a disqualification twenty-two minutes later.

Enrique Torres, the long time Pacific Coast Champ, recently returned to the scene of many of his greatest victories, and promptly re-established himself as a leading contender for honors by winning back the Pacific Coast Title from Mike Sharpe, who had won it from Enrique's brother Ramon a few months earlier. Enrique's most recent defense of his new title was against Al Costello in San Jose, with Torres the winner. Enrique has also teamed up with Carpentier several times and the classy duo has scored wins over Hombre Montana and Clyde Steeves in Oakland and Tom Rice and Legs Wilson in San Jose.

NEWS AND VIEWS ***By Don Jordan***

Walt Kowalski was disqualified in his match against Pepper Gomez at Boston in January. He previously incorrectly reported that Kowalski defeated Gomez in that bout. Kowalski, who returned to the East from Florida where he opposed Paul Anderson in a Miami Beach battle, fought Antonino Rocca to a draw in their March match in Beantown. Kowalski was scheduled to meet Rocca in the main event on the second anniversary card at West Hempstead, N. Y., but Kowalski claimed that he was injured on the previous night at Quebec City. The Amazing Zuma substituted for Kowalski and he was beaten by Rocca. In the semi-final event on the West Hempstead card, Big Heart and War Cloud teamed to win against Skull Murphy and Tony Angelo. Angelo is being billed as Pat Kelly in the East. . . . Gomez left the East in January, but he returned in April from Texas.

Kowalski, who has been billed as the World's Heavy Champ in Boston for the past two years, has been held to four draws by Rocca within the last seven months. . . . After defeating Luis Martinez in a New York city match, Pampero Firpo placed a steel bar in his mouth. With each hand holding an end of the bar, Firpo bent the bar downward until the two ends touched. The villainous Firpo was billed as Ivan the Terrible in Oklahoma before he came to the East.

Jerry Graham and Big Heart battled to a draw at Washington, D. C. recently. . . . Wrestling is booming in Waterbury, Conn. . . . Arnie Skoaland was fined by the Connecticut State Athletic Commission for his actions in a Bridgeport bout against the victorious Jerry Graham. . . . Paul Anderson, who will make his pro boxing debut shortly somewhere in the South, was the winner of a seven-man rassle royal at Miami Beach recently. Hystack Calhoun and the Arabian Sheik also appeared in the royal. Since then, Calhoun has headed for Georgia while the Sheik has been a consistent winner in the Detroit area.

Another of Mr. Lee's stable of wee beauties is Baby Cheryl, an 88 pound, 43 incher who can really dish it out.

Mark Lewin, who is in the U. S. Army Reserves, is serving a six-month active duty stint at Fort Dix, N. J. . . . Don Eagle has returned to Florida from the East. . . . Pat O'Connor, who resides in Chicago, is planning a return trip to Mexico in September. In addition, O'Connor is also considering a trip to Japan and Europe. . . . Dick Afflis won the U. S. Heavy Title from Wilbur Snyder in February. Snyder had won the Title from Afflis at Detroit in January. . . . Paul DeGalles is wrestling in the Toronto area.

Ed Carpentier is in California. . . . Jack Vansky has returned to the East from Florida. . . . Bull Curry is headed for Texas from the East. . . . Verne Gagne has challenged Ingo Johansson to a mixed match with $100,000 set aside for the victor. . . . Gene Kiniski won against Billy Watson for the second successive time as a crowd of over 11,500 fans witnessed their recent St. Louis battle. . . . Al Smith is in Alabama. . . . Bearcat Wright won against Eddie Gosette at Washington, D. C.

Tony Galento and Mike Mazurki are refs in Connecticut and Washington, D. C., respectively. . . . Pete Managoff is the Texas State Heavy Champ. Also showing in the Lone Star State are Cyclone Anaya and Jan Madrid. . . . Frank Townsend is in Minneapolis. . . . Roy Shire and George MacArthur are in Detroit. . . . Greg Jarque is in Florida, Buddy Rosen is in Ohio while Jack Terry is in

Georgia. . . Jack Fargo and Don Stevens are in Tennessee, Larry Hamilton is in the Carolinas, and Kenny Ackles is in Oklahoma. . . . Jarry Graham is headed for the Windy City. . . . Rocca and other East Coast favorites have been largely responsible for the revival of wrestling in Chicago, which began in September. East Coast matches are being teeveed in the Windy City. . . . Donn and Ted Lewin are a fast rising tag combo. . . . Gorgeous George, who returned to the East from Florida, was beaten by Johnny Valentine on the second anniversary card at West Hempstead. . . . Sid Youngelman has returned to the East from the Toronto area.

Referee Harry Smythe is promoting in Baltimore. Speaking of Baltimore, promoter Ed Contos has sued Toots Mondt and Vince McMahon because he claims that they have operated a monopoly by refusing to supply him with talent. . . . Abe Jacobs is in Toronto. . . . Dick Afflis drew Verne Gagne at Detroit while Zuma drew Jerry Graham at Hartford in recent matches.

Big Heart defeated Rey Urbano at Washington, D. C. recently. . . . Rito Romero is teaming with Rocca and Perez in New York City. . . . Arnie Skaaland and Vic Christy are teaming in the East, as are Chet Wallick and Tony Altomare. . . . Recent Saturday afternoon cards have been held in New York City.

CLEVELAND OHIO MAT DOINGS
By Johnny C. Coufalik

The month of March came in like a lion and the biggest crowd in Cleveland's Wrestling History was recorded.

Televised Matches, The Tolos Brothers won a two fall victory over Howard Martin and Leon Smoth a local boy. Billy (Red) Lyons continues his victorious reign by defeating Raoul Lopez.

Akron Armory, The Gallagher brothers, world's tag team champions defeated the Tolos Brothers in a two out of three fall main event. In the semi-final, Bobo Brazil put away another two fall victory as he defeated Ed Miller. In the opener Dick Beyer of football fame defeated Baron Recardo Gattoni.

At the Cleveland Arena, the Canadian Wreckers Chris and John Tolos made a bid for the world's tag team championship as they won a decision over the champion Gallagher Brothers when the Gallagher's were disqualified because they did not return to the ring when the referee wanted them to.

In other action before the biggest crowd in Cleveland wrestling history, 11,994 fans witnessed Lord Athol Layton and Bobo Brazil flatten two parasites Angelo Poffo and Bronco Lubitch. Waldo Von Erich defeated Tony Marinto as did Yukon Eric when he unmasked the Masked Marvel (Cowboy Leonard Hughes). Billy (Red) Lyons and Dick Beyer fought to a scientific draw and Herb Gerwig drew with Luis Torres.

WRESTLING IN MASSACHUSETTS
By Bill Velmuse, Jr.

Wrestling is doing very well in the Boston area with Killer Kowalski being the biggest attraction since the days of Gotch and Sonnenburg.

Kowalski since the start of 1958 has defeated Lou Thesz, Pat O'Connor, Dick the Bruiser, Enrique Torres, Vern Gagne, Bill Miller, Don Leo Jonathon, Yukon Eric and many others.

Killer was disqualified in his recent match with Pepper Gomez before 2,900 at the main ballroom of the Hotel Bradford. Gomez won the first fall, Kowalski the second; and the third was won by Gomez when Kowalski wouldn't obey the referee.

Other Mass. results: Joe Sasso of Revere defeated George Miller, Golden Boy Dupree defeated Buzz Orio, Alma Mills beat Lucille Dupre and Bambi Ball in a handicap affair. Frank Scarpa defeated Angelo Sanoldi, Mike Higgins lost to Larry Moquin, Rito Romero and Arnold Skaaland won over Boris Fabian and Manuel Torres. Al Poholick drew with Nick Valley, Joe Sasso defeated Bull Montana, Cowboy Hill beat Buzz Orio, Jesse James Overcame Mario Nature Boy Malino. Curt Douglas stomped Prince Omar, Jesse James lost to Bull Montana, Joe Sasso lost to Montana, Bull Montana defeated James, Nature Boy Malino won over Prince Omar.

Nick Valley defeated the White Masked Terror, and Midget Vincent Garibaldi defeated Diamond Jim Brady.

SOUTHERN MAT NEWS
By Gene Gordon

In Virginia and the Carolinas, a young wrestler called "The Toy Bulldog" of the mat world has been making a big hit with fans. Billy Cox is the name. A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, the stocky built fireball has been creating much excitement.

In Fayetteville, N. C., he surprised the fans when he defeated the classy Pat O'Brien in the main go there.

Wrestling fans at Charlotte Park Center on Monday nights have been seeing some top stars. Newcomer Don McClarity met The Great Bolo defeating the masked one in the main event of a recent card. McClarity surprised local mat fans by taking the *only* fall in the 60 min. match. A body press did the trick.

George and Sandy Scott took another win to add to their long list of victories, taking two straight falls from Tony Morelli and Two-Ton Harris.

Other bouts on the same program saw Steve Bolus, popular Canadian with a large following, dropkick Don Martin into defeat while a battle between ruffians Larry Hamilton and Duke Hoffman ended in short order. The St. Joseph, Mo. grappler used a series of body slams to down Hoffman in 5 minutes.

Hamilton and Bolo handed the Scott Bros. one of their few defeats since returning to this area when the rough twosome won two straight falls over the well liked brothers. Don McClarity, brother of highly rated Roy McClarity, used plenty of wrestling ability to outsmart veteran Tony Morelli. Danno O'Shocker drew with Bobby Christy in the 20 minute opener.

T.V. WRESTLING
By Joel Zuller

Marvin Mercer, the "Atomic Man," hails from Reading, Penn. and weighs in at about 218. He claims he holds the record for more dropkicks a minute than any other wrestler. Mercer has a long career of more than 20 years, he started out with Tony Martionelli and Angelo Savoldi, who give wrestling fans plenty of action.

During the last few months, wrestling has been on T. V. three times a week. Tuesday night from Sunny Side Gardens in New York. Wednesday night from Bridgeport, Conn., with Ray Morgan and promoted by Joe Smith, and Thursday from the Capitol Arena, Washington, D. C. Most of the matches have been superb. One of the most talked about matches was that between Arnold Skoalhand of White Plains, New York and the Jet Blonde Johnny Valentine. A riot almost started when the referee Jack Davis tapped Arnold "Golden Boy" Skoalhand on the back. Skoalhand rose thinking he was the winner. Actually it was really the ref's signal to break. Valentine rose to his feet and delivered the winning "Skull Smasher." A recent match between Dr. Jerry Graham and Chief Big Heart ended in a draw.

Johnny Valentine, the T. V. champion, had a good battle with Louis Martinez. The first fall went to the champ with a galloping backbreaker, time of first fall was 12:14. A disqualification on Valentine gave the second fall to Martinez after 6:12. The third and deciding fall went to Valentine using his famous "Skull Smasher." The smasher is delivered by hitting on the back of the neck with an elbow.

The Flying Red Heads, the Bastein brothers, Red and Lou, whom fans love for their ability at counter holds, had a pretty tough time but came out even steven with the Iron Russians. The first fall was taken by the Bastein Bros. When Red gave a backbreaker to one of the Russians at 9:00 minutes. The second fall went to the Russians in

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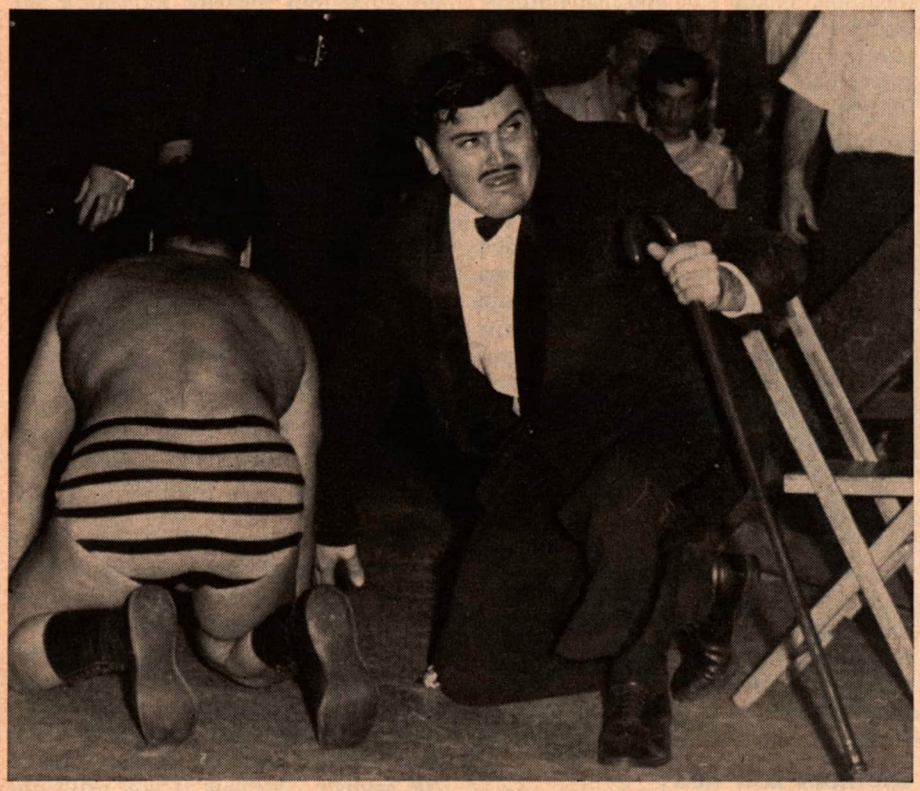
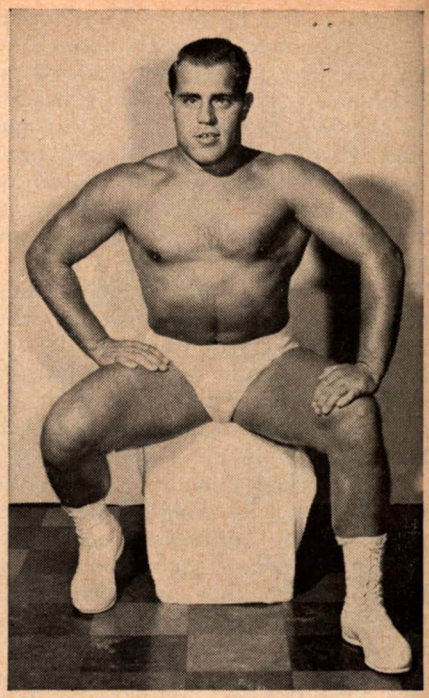
Hi-Flying DICK BEYER





Handsome Dick Beyer of Buffalo, New York, an up and coming grappler who has been giving the headliners a hard time. He is ready to meet the champ.

(LEFT)
This scene shows Angelo Poffo after being thrown into the lap of his manager Bronko Lubich. Note Bronko's cane with which Bronko has rapped many a head.

***Story and Photos by* EARLE YETTER**

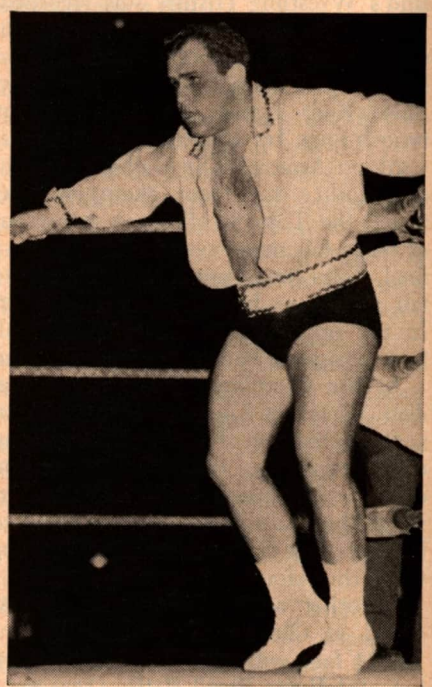
PROFESSIONAL wrestling today depends a great deal on the continual parade of gifted and talented newcomers who have come into the sport from high school and college mats, from the Y. M. C. A.'s and the gridirons of the nation.

One of the most talented and promising of the new regime is "Burly" Dick Beyer, 5 feet 11 inches, weighing 230 pounds, who was born in Buffalo, N. Y. and who has catapulted himself right into the national lime-light with sensational performances the past couple of months. It is no secret that the 29 year old Dick has entered the top echelon of wrestling and will be challenging for the world title before very long.

During his secondary school work, Dick attended Seneca Vocational High School and participated in football, basketball, baseball and track. As a result of his achievements in football, his most outstanding scholastic sport, he was awarded a full four year scholarship at Syracuse University.

At Syracuse, Dick progressed into bigger and brighter heights in the athletic as well as the academic field. He participated in four years of varsity football and three years of varsity wrestling. In his senior year, Dick was elected co-captain of the Syracuse Grid Squad which won the eastern championship and later represented the East in the celebrated Orange Bowl Game in Miami on New Year's Day 1953.

Although a star in both sports, Dick won greater fame via the collegiate wrestling circles. After starting wrestling in his sophomore year, he continued with considerable success in his junior and senior years, and went to the finals



Beyer, as he looks to opponents before the bell rings sending him into action. Note the fancy jacket that he keeps on until the last minute.

of the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament, representing Syracuse in the heavyweight division. He was three times A. A. U. champion and twice runner-up in the 1952 and 1954 National A. A. U. wrestling tournaments. He majored in Physical Education and obtained a master's degree in Education at Syracuse University in 1954. Throughout that year he served as freshman football and wrestling coach and since then, every fall he reports back to Syracuse as an assistant line coach under Ben Schwarzwalder. During the winter months he wrestles professionally.

This winter Promoter Martinez imported Angelo Poffo and his manager Bronko Lubich for a series of bouts in Buffalo. Poffo won a couple of questionable bouts with the assistance of Lubich at ringside and suddenly Poffo was matched with Dick Beyer.

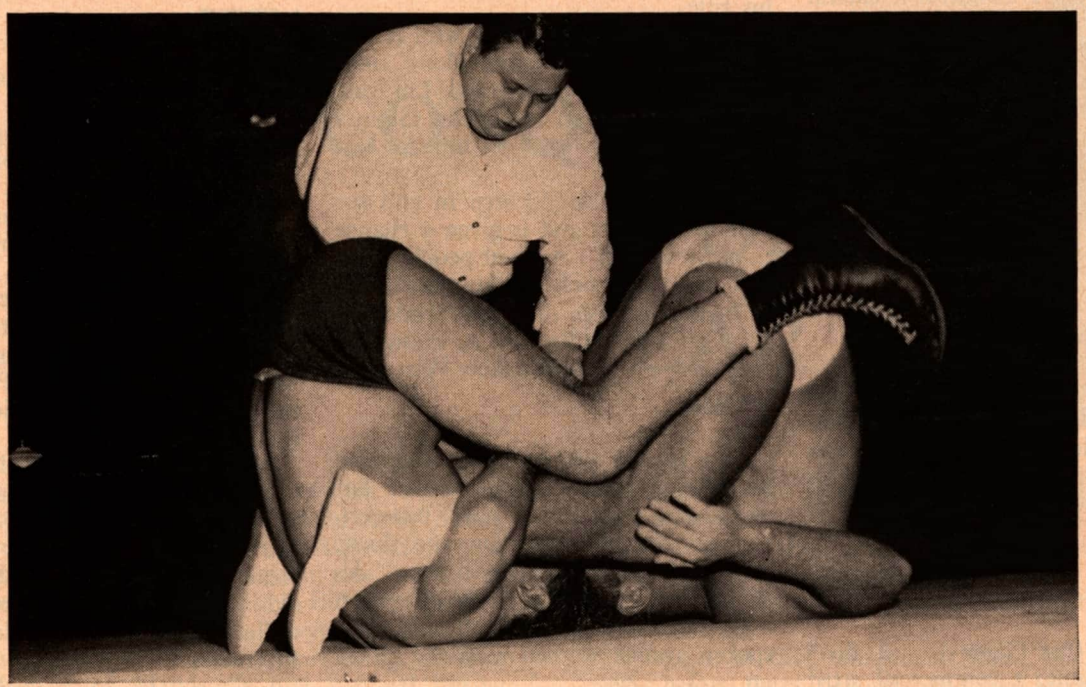
In a gruelling struggle, Dick appeared to have the upper hand against Poffo and was on the verge of pinning him, when Lubich conked him over the noggin with his cane. Poffo gained the fall but the fans protested bitterly over the interference of Lubich.

pinned Lubich at the 24:25 mark to bring down the house. It was complete retaliation for Beyer. But Dick was not satisfied. He wanted to settle the score against both members of the combination and demanded another match with Poffo.

Promoter Martinez signed the match for the following week and he pushed Beyer and Poffo right into the feature spot of the program. Bronko Lubich was warned to stay out of the ring and to remain seated at ringside.

Beyer was outstanding in this bout against Poffo. He knocked Poffo from pillar to post with elbow smashes and had Poffo breathing heavily. Spying Lubich sitting in a chair at ringside, Beyer picked up Poffo bodily and threw him right into Lubich's lap where they both sprawled on the arena floor. When Beyer came to look over the situation, Lubich attempted to use his cane again on Beyer, but Referee Cappy Caprino immediately disqualified Poffo for Lubich's interference.

In the past few months, Dick Beyer has paved the way for himself in his mat endeavors. During his short career he has met Lou Thesz and Dick Hutton, both former world



Heads up! Beyer, right and Johnny Rougeau have tied each other up during a scientific bout with referee Teddy Thomas attempting to find the proper combination with which to unlock them.

In a television interview with nationally-prominent sportscaster Chuck Healy over WBEN-TV, Beyer was presented with a cake by his fan club in commemoration of his first wedding anniversary. Bronko Lubich pushed his way into the interview, picked up Beyer's cake and smashed it into an ugly heap on the floor. This was more than Beyer could stomach and he challenged Lubich to a bout in the ring to settle their differences.

Poffo was barred from the arena and Lubich was strictly on his own in this "Grudge" match. Although Lubich appears mostly as a confidant and aide to Poffo, complete with tuxedo and cane, he has wrestled for a number of years around Montreal. In action he is a wily opponent and is capable of running of the gauntlet of emotions with the fans.

Beyer had trained faithfully for this "grudge" match. When he squared off against Lubich, he was all business and was determined to square accounts with Lubich for the latter's insult.

After twenty minutes of action, Beyer caught Lubich with drop-kicks as the latter rebounded off the ropes and

champions, Pat O'Connor, current champion, Fritz von Erich, Hans Schmidt, Ed and Dan Miller, Reggie Lisowski, the Gallagher Bros., Wilbur Snyder and Verne Gagne. Not so long ago he defeated Baron Gattoni with resounding drop kicks, and his victories over Angelo Poffo and Bronko Lubich have propelled him right up the ladder into the national spotlight.

In his repertoire of holds, he possesses one of the fastest drop kicks in the buisness. He also uses the flying head scissors, brutal shoulder blocks which he learned on the gridiron and a vicious spinning toe hold which has gained him many victories.

In 1955, Dick was voted "The Rookie of the Year" in Chicago which saw him go through the season without a defeat. Since that time he has wrestled in more than 25 states, Canada, Mexico and Hawaii and has hopes of having wrestled in every state in the country before his mat career comes to an end. Not so long ago he was awarded a beautiful trophy in Syracuse, N. Y. as the most popular wrestler to ever appear there. All he asks is a crack at Pat O'Connor.

PUNCH LINES

FROM OUR READERS

WHO CONTROLS BOXING?

Sirs:

In the course of the recent investigations into boxing, it would seem timely for the investigators to take a good long look at the qualifications of the referees and the judges . . . because some of the decisions which have been handed down recently certainly don't appear to be the work of qualified officials.

A glaring case in point, among many others, is the fight between Yama Bahama and Victor Zalazar. With the exception of one lucky punch in the sixth round; *which didn't even knock Bahama down;* it is doubtful if Zalazar even earned a draw in any other round. Yet the referee and one judge saw fit to give the decision to Zalazar.

There is a lot of talk about who controls boxing . . . as the majority of fights are won or lost by decision . . . it is the opinion of this writer that the boxing game is controlled by the judges and the referees . . . you take it from there.

H. W. Leader,
Glace Bay, N. S., Can.

JUST TOO MUCH!

Dear Sir:

Please add this protest to the others I'm sure you'll receive over the Dupas-Fernandez "decision". I have never written anything like this before. This was just *too* much! Thank you.

Frank Mirowski,
Boston, Mass.

GAMA ALIVE?

Gentlemen:

I was told that Gama is still alive! A friend of mine, a commercial artist from New York just came back from India. This friend had been for years an amateur Greco/Roman wrestler with a deep love of the sport.

While in India he made inquiries about Gama, reported "Dead" in mat circles for the last twelve years.

My friend found Gama in a hospital in Pakistan, sick, old, crippled, penniless and waiting for death. Sports journalists from local Pakistan newspapers visit Gama at his sick bed and take bedside photos of him and run them in local newspapers.

I feel sorry for poor Gama at the end of life's trail. However, I feel he was greatly overrated by sports writers and I humbly feel that John Pesek, Ed "Strangler" Lewis, Joe Stetcher, Frank Gotch, Fred Grubmier, Hans Steinke, and Joe "The Shooter" Montana could have pinned or hooked him in a shooting match. For over twelve years the American press has reported Gama deceased. Is Gama alive?

Vince Salerno,
Woodlynne, New Jersey

A GREAT INJUSTICE

Dear Sirs:

I have been a boxing fan for a great number of years and have found Ring magazine to be the best. I am very glad to see "clean publication" and "honesty" brought out in every issue.

There is only one injustice done to the boxing world today. That is the refusal of the N.B.A. to intervene into the heavyweight champion defending his title.

Today there is a fighter who is one of the greatest to come along since Joe Louis. His name (and I'm sure you recognize him) is Charles (Sonny) Liston. No one will fight him for fear of losing.

The N.B.A. should step in and see that he is active and is given a chance to prove himself. A lot of people think as I do and its only marking boxing as a "black sheep" in the sports world.

Richard A. Presnal,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

WOMEN!

Sirs:

As a female reader of your magazine for a long time, I know you are fair and just in your views. Now, however, I must ask you to explain one thing, your prejudice of women boxers. Although you give full approval of women wrestlers, you have, on many occasions, spoken against women with the gloves on.

Now, in your last issue, Ted Carroll in his article "It Really was Odd" cries shame on a bout held in Canada. Why? It takes guts to get up into a ring and fight, even more for a woman to take on a girl 17 years her senior. Believe me, I know, because although women boxers are banned here, I had a few fights in Germany as a member of the British Women's Services.

I was a gym teacher before I joined up, and in the town near where I was stationed, one nightclub used to put on women's bouts. After watching several, it seemed to me that I could do as well as any of the girls I had seen. I approached the manager and offered to fight one of his girls.

He accepted and I was matched against a powerful 19 year old blonde over six rounds, and really got roughed up although I managed to stay the distance. Since then and before coming home, I fought about 8 bouts at the club, losing 3, and I grew to love boxing.

Ted Carroll claims his sensitivities were hurt more than the boxers. Well, I have never been K.O.'d, but I have often been glad to hear the bell. The Canadian Women's shorts and blouses seem also to have found his disfavor. A one-piece swim-suit was my choice for all my bouts, and I consider it to be the ideal wear for girl boxers.

Valorie G. Leader,
(Ex W.A.A.F.),
Lincoln, England

I BELIEVE

Dear Sirs:

I believe the N.B.A. and the rounds scoring system of New York State should be abolished. Among the fighters I believe were cheated of victory by bad decisions in New York recently are: Gaspar Ortega in his second fight with Florentino Fernandez; Stan Harrington in his fight with Ortega and Lenny Matthews losing to Willie Toweel.

The worst decisions outside of New York were Von Clay getting a draw with Sixto Rodriguez and Paul Pender taking the middleweight championship from Ray Robinson.

In my opinion, Philadelphia has become the city which produces the best fighters in the country. If Philadelphia had a pro boxing "team", it would be: Heavy—Sonny Liston; light-heavy—Harold Johnson; middle—Joey Giardello; welter—Charley Scott; and light—Len Matthews.

Joel Dean,
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

AN INTERESTING POINT

Dear Sir:

I write this in answer to a letter that appeared in a recent issue of Ring. As regards to the Willie Toweel-Len Matthews fight, I feel that this is a prime example of why boxing throughout the world should adopt the New York system of scoring. Toweel won the fight. Is it fair for a man to win seven of the ten rounds and lose? Maybe if the New York system was universal more young fighters would learn to box. It should be noted that Toweel took the ninth and tenth rounds after being dropped twice in the eighth. I couldn't help but wonder if he would have won in any other state?

Joe Tramontano,
USS Holmes County (LST 836)

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By LT.-COL. HARVEY L. MILLER, U. S. M. C. Retired

Benny Alperstein, a retired U.S. Army Major, who was responsible for bringing to the U of Maryland its first national championship. Alperstein is now a successful businessman as well as licensed referee and boxing judge.

CONQUEST OF FEAR

THIS is a story of the "Conquest of Fear." It is the story of a college boy, now a retired Army Major, an excellent boxer, named Benny Alperstein.

Kid Psychology played an important role in the victory that James J. Jeffries scored over Bob Fitzsimmons when they fought for the world heavyweight crown in Coney Island and it played a major part in the winning of the University of Maryland's first national boxing championship. It's the story of how advice poured into the ears of an 18-year-old Navy champion—the author—in the ring at Chang-to-ho Gardens, in Shanghai, China, in May, 1908, contributed to Alperstein's victory in the intercollegiate championships in Sacramento, California, in April, 1937.

I was the coach of the Maryland University team that had won its first Southern Conference championship, and in Alperstein I knew I had a first-rate boxer who looked good enough to win a national crown for us, so I entered him in the Sacramento meet. We made the trip to California and throughout the plane journey, Benny kept worrying about his fight. He kept talking about the number of entries, how many times he would have to face opponents to enter the finals, the records of those entered and how he shaped up against his possible opponents. I could scarcely get his mind off the subject and as for sleep he got little of that because of his worrying.

When our plane made a stop-over in Nevada, a number of California newsmen came aboard to obtain advance stories of the Easterners. It was then that Alperstein learned that in the lightweight division in which he was entered, he would probably meet Joe Bracato of Tulane University; Karl Drexel of San Jose State and Bob Bates of Washington State. When Benny saw the name of Bates in the list and looked at his picture, he turned pale.

"*Gosh! Is he in this?*" asked Benny with a look of astonishment.

Everyone in that tournament knew that only three weeks before, Bates' opponent had died following a bout, and the picture Benny was looking at, showed a big, tough looking young man who from every angle resembled the rough, hard socking fighter. I knew I had to do something quickly if I were to entertain any hopes of Benny winning the crown for us.

"*Look here, Benny,*" I said in a commanding tone. "*Snap out of it. You're scared stiff. And only because you are thinking of what happened to Bates' opponent, not because you think he's a great fighter. You have everything he has and more. He's the one who can't forget so readily that fatality and needs encouragement, not you.*"

Benny stood motionless. I could see where psychology was needed to get him back to his normal self so I decided to tell him a story of the fear I had when I faced a burly opponent in Shanghai in 1908.

In the Chinese seaport, I crawled into the ring for my first 20 round bout, I said. It was for the Far East featherweight title and my shipmates wagered heavily on the outcome of that match. I was only a bantam, much smaller and lighter than you. When I sat on my stool and looked across the ring I saw my

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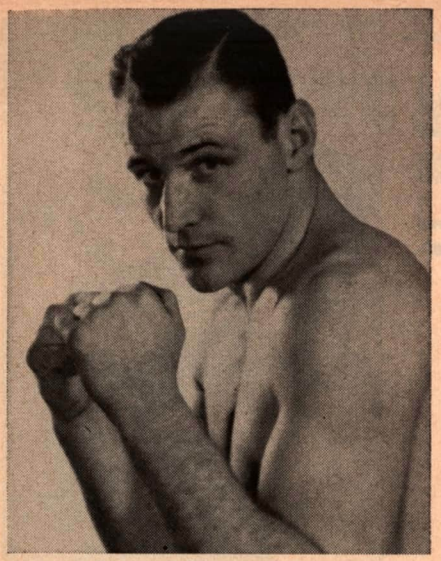
AIMING HIGH

By LEW ESKIN



Harold (Babe) Simmons, undefeated light heavyweight from Long Island, a busy scrapper who shows promise.

WHEN a young boxer has made his mark in the preliminary ranks his object is to move up into the main bout class.

Four young lads who are ready to step up and out are lightweights Bennie Gordon of New York and Dan Livingston of Trenton, N. J.; welterweight Luis Garduno of Mesa, Arizona and light heavyweight Harold (Babe) Simmons of Bellrose, Long Island, N. Y.

LUIS GARDUNO

Garduno, nicknamed "The Tiger" and "Nature Boy" is a twenty year old battler with a real crowd-pleasing style. He is the fifth in a family of ten children, seven of whom are boys, so you see Luis had to learn how to fight early.

A stocky built five foot four, 150 pounder, he turned to boxing after all three of his older brothers had done some scrapping as amateurs, none of whom became professionals.

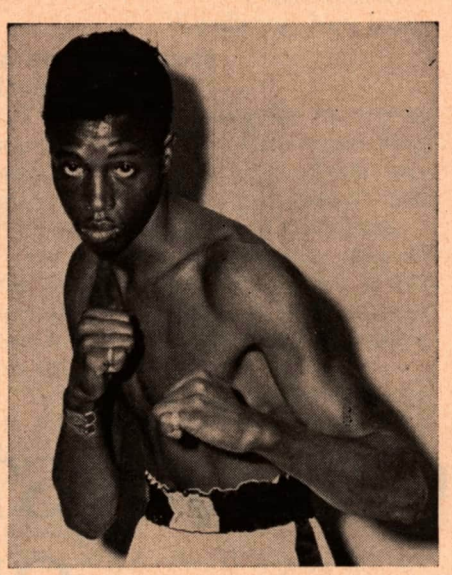
Like his brothers he started as a youngster in the Mesa Police Boys' club under the direction of Lt. Norman Arrington, who is now Luis' manager.

He won 15 out of 17 amateur fights scoring five knockouts and winning a number of simon-pure titles in his home state.

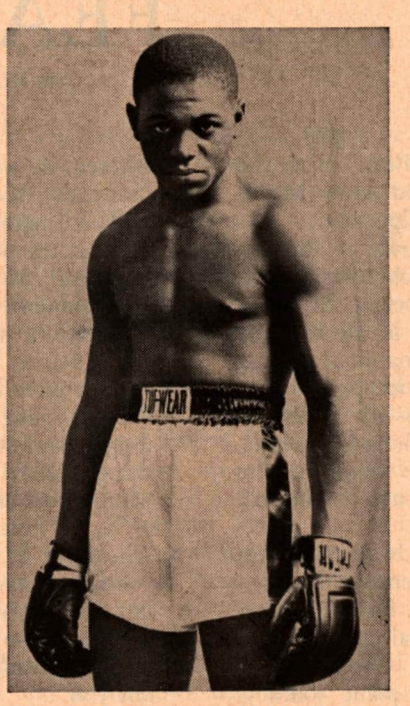
The "Nature Boy" tag was hung on him by a local sports writer because of his love of the outdoors, as he is always out hunting or fishing and it is this rugged outdoor life that has much to do with the stamina which is his stock in trade.

Garduno enters the ring wearing a leopard-skin rope like that worn by Jake La Motta, but goes Jake one better with a red and white stipped cap, Lamotta and Rocky Marcino are his two ring idols and he has patterned his style after them.

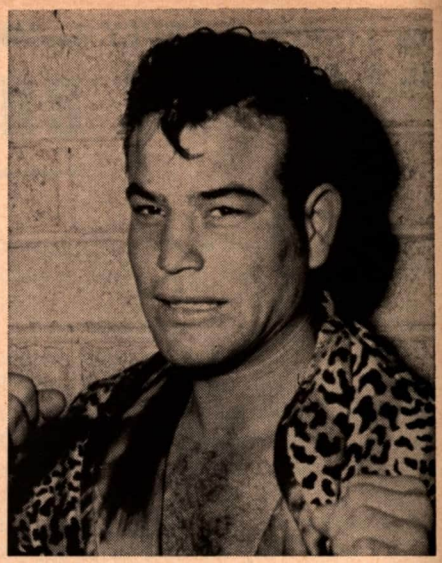
He has fought 16 times since joining the punch for pay ranks, and lost 2, scoring eight kayos, five of these coming in the first round. Luis has kayoed Tony Lopez, Alex Fimbres, Robert Earl, Gopher Smith while beating Al Andrews, Clifton Williams and drawing with the veteran Bob Terrance in a twelve round bout for the Arizona state welter title. Fighting over six rounds for the first time he paced himself poorly and his fast finish was not enough.



Dan Livingston, tall and talented 135 pounder from a fighting family. This young Trenton, N. J. lad has made rapid progress in his short career.



Bennie Gordon, New York City lightweight with a crowd-pleasing style. Bennie resembles ex-champ Jimmy Carter.



Luis (Nature Boy) Garduno, bull-like welterweight from Mesa, Arizona, who has a large local following.

Most of his boxing has been done in Tucson but his impressive showing in winning over Andrews in his Phoenix main bout debut has put him on the road to the headline spot he seeks.

In his most recent start before his home town followers he pounded his way to a ten round decision over the former triple champion of the lightweights Jimmy Carter. Luis' two handed attack was too much for the veterans to handle.

BENNIE GORDON

Bennie Lee Gordon, New York lightweight, is the middle child in a family of seven, having four brothers and two sisters. He was born in Cordele, Georgia, twenty years ago but grew up in Cleveland, Ohio where he became interested in boxing while still in grade school and launched his amateur career in 1956, as a bantamweight. He boxed as a simon-pure for two years and suffered only one loss, winning half of his bouts via the knockout route and in 1958 he captured the Cleveland Community Center Championship Trophy for his outstanding performances.

Bennie, who came to the big city to make his fortune, is an industrious lad who is living on the money he makes on his job. His ring earning go into a trust fund, and of course to date this has been little as he has not moved out of the preliminary class as yet.

Since turning pro last summer he has answered the bell eleven time, winning seven, losing three and going to a draw. He has reversed his draw and one loss and is eager to get another crack at Tommy Pacheco who holds the other two decisions over him. In his last fight he earned the verdict over Tommy

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20:00. The match ended in a draw due to the curfew.

WRESTLING IN THE SOUTHWEST

My popularity poll will be over when this goes to press. It has been a great experience. My thanks to all who voted, and those who helped me with publicity, etc. I know all of you will not object if I give a special thanks to the patients and the Managers, also the Chiefs of Special Services in the Veterans Hosp. in the area. We have had a separate poll there.

Only one of the hospitals votes have been completely tabulated. One of the smallest in the area, yet a tremendous vote. The favorite of the Fort Bayard, New Mexico V. A. Hosp. is . . . Lou Plummer! It was a fight all the way to the last vote. Dory Funk came in 2nd, by 1 vote. Close behind him were the Dusek Brothers. Others in the race are very numerous and not enough space to list them. Their favorite referee position went to Joe Louis, with Jack Dempsey 2 votes behind, and very close came Otto Kuss and Mule Train Clemmons. Congratulations to all of you!

We've all heard of wrestling in the mud, behind wire enclosures, etc., but this amusing match came to my attention. Seems a well known shaving cream company wanted to outdo others in advertising. They used a total of 360 cans of their "cream" to make an 18 inch layer of suds on the ring area in Salt Lake City's Coliseum. The capacity house of brave spectators were given a protective covering for the match.

Seven slippery men climbed into the ring and all but one ended outside, dousing everyone with the lather. Danno McDonald, the rugged Nova Scotian, emerged as victor. He was the last man in the ring. He not only claimed the purse put up by the company, but claimed the title as the "Cleanest Wrestler."

A full report of the votes will be given you as soon as we can get through the mountain of mail.

Peg Colwell

WRESTLING FROM THE MIDWEST

Big men, in name and size, have literally taken the Mid-West territory by storm.

Killer Kowalski, Don Leo Jonathan, Big Daddy Lipscomb, Gene Kiniski, Cowboy Rocky Lee, Bearcat Wright, and Johnny Valentine, among others have caused turnstiles to really click in shows staged by the Chicago Stadium Corporation and Fred Kohler.

As of late Kowalski and Jonathan have temed up meeting such worthy teams as Lou Thesz and Pepper Gomez, Gomez and Bobby Manogoff.

In recent matches Lipscomb debuted against a tag team of Tommy O'Toole and mammoth Cowboy Rocky Lee with the Daddy proving himself to be as proficient a wrestler as he is a football player with the Baltimore Colts.

Sweet Daddy Siki and Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers tangled with Rogers drop kicking Siki out of the ring to set up a one fall victory.

Jonathan and Gomez brought down the Stadium house in a no decision contest as both wrestlers could not get back into the ring.

In a tag match Kiniji Scibuya and Taro Myaki took on Rito Romoro and Pedro Escobar. The contest ended in a draw.

Zion, Waukegan, Gurnee, Illinois, as well as Gary and Hammond, Ind., were sited for matches that offered such talent as Manogoff, Jonathan, Argentine Rocca, Kowalski, Lou Thesz, Rock Hunter, Larry Moquin, Karl Krause, Buddy Rose, Gregory Jarque, the Volkoff Brothers, the Iron Russians, the Bastiens and the Great Togo.

Edward Carpentier, a popular wrestler in these parts, figured in a series of sensational matches as did The Shiek, Bruno San Martino and champ Pat O'Connor.

Wrestling commentator Bruce Roberts of WBBM-TV ended up with a torn coat when Gene Kiniski, the Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, giant judged him rather gently during a ringside interview in the hour long 3:30 to 4:30 PM show presented live from the television studios.

Roberts has been accorded similar, but not quite so violent, treatment from Kowalski and Jonathan. A right forearm smash was dealt Roberts in Hammond by Kiniski and stunned him to say the least.

Bobby Manogoff lost to Killer Kowalski in successive matches by disqualification set up by Manogoff's Hammond, Ind., win that caused the auditorium to become a shambles.

Also in the Indiana ring Big Gene Kiniski was defeated by Manogoff. Manogoff's fan club president Jackie Sanderson is overwhelmed with Bob's recent popularity.

SCENE IN MONTREAL

By Gil Smith

IT'S A WELL KNOWN FACT, that the winter months around Montreal are tough ones, and when people have beaten their way home after work through the snowdrifts, it takes a lot to lure them right out again. Nevertheless, while the early spring winds howled all around town, the biggest crowd in several moons, 15,206 jammed the Montreal Forum to see the return bout classic between Argentina Rocca and Buddy Rogers fought out in a ring enclosed by a high barrier of chicken wire firmly clamped into place to ensure that they wouldn't finish up in the aisles as they did in their first encounter.

The chicken wire worked, and so did Rogers' ingenuity as he lost the battle 2 falls to 1 by getting himself disqualified, but kept possession of his championship belt by claiming that under the rules a title cannot change hands on a disqualification.

For a great turnout, however, the fans were rewarded with a rousing, lightning-fast brawl, which saw Rogers capture the 1st fall with a pile-driver, then lose the 2nd to the popular Argentina when Rocca followed a series of spectacular drop kicks with his own favorite maneuver of jumping high on his opponent's back and pinning him with a spinner hold.

Rogers was ruled out by the referee in the decider, when he started hammering the prostrate Rocca with his fists and so lost the match, but retained the belt emblematic of the title he won from Kowalski. Buddy didn't endear himself further to Rocca or the packed throng, when he sneeringly waved the belt aloft after his disqualification.

Other great names of the mat world provided some of the nonstop action of the month, and a widely heralded newcomer, Big Daddy Lipscomb, 300 pound star with the football champion Baltimore Colts, made his first appearance in Canada here in the Montreal Forum and quickly disposed of another 300 pounder in the personage of Rocky Lee from Texas. For this initial appearance Daddy was part of a tag team that paired him with veteran Larry Moquin. But Big Daddy was back again later in the month and on these occasions local fandom got a better look at him. He turned up in a handicap match that saw him take on 2 opponents at once, and he made short work of them. In fact it took the giant just 2.27 minutes to overcome John Swenski and Tiger Tomasso. With that rapid fire win, and a 1 minute appearance against Lee, localites still hadn't seen too much of Big Daddy, so he turned up for a 3rd time to form a twosome with Sweet Daddy Siki against Rogers and Fritz Von Goering. That one went the distance but the Daddy-O's were defeated by a two-powerful combination.

Another newcomer making a winning debut was Italy's good looking Bruno Samartino who tossed Tiger Tasker, but established stars like Lou Thesz were also on hand to lend balance to the month's events. Thesz isn't getting any younger, but still packs plenty of class, as does Bobby Managoff the perennial favorite. Managoff took a hammering from Killer Kowalski in a rough battle, but needed only slightly more than 8 minutes to overcome Angelo Savoldi in a less hectic appearance.

The Great Togo, a one-time top at-

traction hereabouts was back on the Forum mat to prove he can still utilize the Judo Chop with deadly effectiveness. The Jap's chop, plus a body hold spelled defeat for New York's Buddy Rosen, and Togo also engaged in an impromptu battle with another Buddy named Rogers, when the latter invaded the ring when Togo was preparing for his bout with Rosen. To ward off the attack of the blond Rogers, Togo used his wooden slippers on Buddy's head, and Rogers didn't stop running until he reached the dressing room.

Wladek "Killer" Kowalski sojourned down to balmy Florida during the month, but the mellower climate didn't mellow Kowalski who pulverized Managoff in cold blood upon his return to our winter wars. Another returnee from the Florida sun was the foundation rock of the local mat game, Yvon Robert, who was recuperating from the illness.

Bob Nandor of Hungary also turned up wrestling to a draw with Tony Altmore in one outing, while in another with veteran localite Eddie Auger, he and his opponent both wound up with disqualifications.

Gil Smith, 3350 Ridgewood Avenue, Apt. 33, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

EASTERN ACTION
By Earle Yetter

That the advent of television has created a renewed interest in the sport of wrestling from coast to coast cannot be denied. In territories where wrestling has been shown to people who never before had seen a wrestling bout the result has been that they also attend the live bouts in person.

In New York State, Promoter Pedro Martinez who controls a vast upstate wrestling domain really put television to the test. Bouts in Buffalo, N. Y. were filmed and shown in other cities in the state and that program over WBEN-TV with nationally-famous sportscaster Chuck Healy doing the commentary on the bouts had one of the highest ratings on the station.

Utica, N. Y. which city has not had professional wrestling for years opened last March in the newly built Memorial Auditorum there and a capacity audience saw the first show in the new building with hundreds more unable to procure tickets and were turned away. Stars such as the Gallagher Brothers, Doc. and Mike, Yukon Eric, Bobo Brazil, Billy (Red) Lyons, Luis Torres, Howard Martin, and Cowboy Len Hughes put over the show in a sensational manner.

In the State of Ohio, Promoter Martinez has completely revived interest in wrestling and capacity audiences have been the result.

Many wrestling fans are clamoring for the opportunity of seeing women wrestlers in action. They say it is unfair to the promoters and wrestlers that the women can appear in one state and not another.

When you consider that additional revenue to state treasuries where the women are allowed to perform, it might seem that appropriate legislation should be enacted to allow these exhibitions.

Ilio Di Paolo, Italian champion and contender for the world heavyweight championship, Gentleman Jim Dobie, Jack Bence and Frank Thompson are wrestlers who had to battle the scourge of polio as lads but today they are robust figures on the wrestling mats of two continents. Working out with dumb-bells and other gymnasium exercises enabled these excellent athletes to lick the polio scourge and it is indeed one of the miracles of wrestling.

Many fine comments have been received by the writer on the story of Lord Athol Layton. Dozens of fans in the Ohio area have written in that the story on the Nobleman was appreciated to which we reply that we do not know another wrestler and commentator who is more entitled to such a story.

The indefatigable Steve Stanlee is now on a world tour and so is Hard-Boiled Haggerty. The latter finally found a woman who could make him sit up and take notice so the world tour is also a honeymoon . . . all this, in spite of the fact that Haggerty said no woman is good enough for him. . . . Well, some ladies certainly have what it takes to make a man change his mind. Both Stanlee and Haggerty will return soon with more new tricks up their sleeves as they are both first class showmen.

When Little Beaver and Sky Low Low collide during a Midget Tag Team bout, you can expect the sparks to fly. Sky Low Low is considered the champion of the midget brigade, but Little Beaver disputes his contention. Sky Low Low won a tournament in Paris several years ago coming out on top after grappling with 30 other contestants. His championship is based on winning that tournament. However, Little Beaver lays claim to the championship on the basis of his winning record in America. So, when Sky Low Low and Little Beaver oppose one another it is a battle worth the price admission alone. You fans haven't seen anything until you see Little Beaver give Sky Low Low the Monkey-Flip in which Low Low twirls three times in the air before landing on his caboose.

Ohio fans are being regaled by Dancing Dick Nelson who is adequately termed "Mr. Perpetual Motion." He is constantly in motion from the time he steps into the ring until he leaves for the dressing room. He exhausts the fans and his opponent before he even goes into action. So, there is nothing new in wrestling, you say. Dancing Dick Nelson will change your mind when he performs in your arena.

CANADIAN NEWS

Canadian wrestling fans have the opportunity of seeing big-time wrestling over CBLT-TV in Toronto and suburbs with Fred Sgambati doing the commentating. Films of the regular Thursday night bouts from Maple Leaf Gardens are shown over the above station each Saturday night at 11:40 for one hour. Promoter Frank Tunney shows his clients the biggest stars of the mat along with a sprinkling of newcomers. On the scene now is a new tag team Dino and Domenic Dravo, who have made a successful invasion of Canada.

Wrestling is so popular up in Montreal that bouts are held in some arenas every night in the week. Promoter Eddie Quinn has such stars as Edouard Carpentier, Killer Kowalski, Larry Moquin and Antonino Rocca. It was Quinn who imported the sensational Edouardo Carpentier to this country and the Frenchman has proven to be one of the greatest French stars to ever appear in both the U. S. and Canada. Henri De Flane was another Frenchman who helped to revive wrestling in this country. Bernard (French) Vignal is a newcomer who has created quite a stir since his arrival.

Publicist Bob Leonard in Regina comes up with the information that lady midgets including Doll Paige and Gypsy Rose will tour Western Canada in the future. . . . Pat O'Connor, World Champ, Antonino Rocca, Whipper Billy Watson and Edouard Carpentier are all on the list of promoters Stu Hart, of Galgary and Edmonton, Alberta and Saskatchewan and George (Porky) Jacobs of Regina. Carpentier has appeared to sell-out crowds in Edmonton and Calgary when he was carded against Bob (Legs) Langevin. Karol and Ivan Kalmikoff are also appearing in the West and recently they had a battle for their lives against Nelson Royal and Luther Lindsay. The bout ended when both referees were knocked cold. It was a "No Contest" bout, but one the fans will remember for some time to come.

Invading the East is the famous Masked Man, "The Bat" along with his manager "Eric the Great." Here is a combination who have been actually setting the fans on their ears with violent action.

Also on the Eastern circuit are such figures as Clem St. Louis, Mike Volcan of the Edmonton Eskimos of the Western Interprovincial Football Union and Killer Kris, along with that promising grappler Maurice LaPoint who has been wrestling in Northwest U. S. the past

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RATINGS

Tony Antonucci, 2; Larry Mercer whipped Ed Hickman, 6; Mickey Dwyer stopped Jackson Brown, 7.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez stopped Alvaro Gutierrez, 4.

Benny (Kid) Paret and Federico Thompson struggled to a draw, 12.

Rudell Stitch outpointed middleweight Randy Sandy, 10; Florentino Fernandez outscored Ralph Dupas, 10; Dupas then outboxed British Empire Champion George Barnes, 12.

Rudell Stitch stopped Willie Moran, 6. Sugar Hart stopped Rocky Kalingo, 5. Florentino Fernandez outpointed Gerald Gray, 10. Glen Flanagan and Javellana Kid drew, 10. Charley Scott beat Frankie Anslem, 10. Enrique Esqueda stopped Dave Cervantes, 8.

Duilio Loi halted Tommy Molloy, 4; Isaac Logart outscored Candy McFarland, 10; Vince Martinez halted Clem Florio, 6.

Virgil Akins defeated Fernando Barreto, 10; Jimmy McGuinness won the vacant Scottish title outpointing Tom McGuinness, 12; Jorge Fernandez halted Mel Barker, 7; Luis Folledo won his 43rd straight as he won the Spanish welterweight title beating Jose Ungides, 12.

Dave Cervantes stopped Pichon Reyes, 10; Luis Garduno upset Jimmy Carter, 10; Marcelo Vargas bested Agustin Rosales, 10.

Gale Kerwin and Jay Fullmer, drew 10; Larry Baker kayoed Tony Smith, 2; Ray Villalona defeated Cano Hernandez, 10, and Joe Gonzalez, 10; Alfredo Cota defeated Reybon Stubbs, 10, and kayoed L. C. Morgan, 8.

Roberto Chetta decisioned Bernardo Romero, 12; Rudy Mendoza outfought Kid Zacatecas, 10; Battling Douglas kayoed Baldwin Deveaux, 7; Brian Curvis kayoed Al Sharpe, 2, and Michel Lombardet, 7.

Dorsey Williams and Al Medrano drew, 8. T. J. Jones halted Johnny Powell, 7. Paul Stivaletta kayoed Jay Lewis, 1. Enrique Dinateli defeated Perico Garcia, 8. Dick Turner stopped Leroy Tucker 2.

Fidel Lucero won from Chivo Diaz, 10; Sandy Manuel stopped Freddie Tiedt, 6; Bill Flamio outclassed Eddie Woods, 8.

Stan Hayward kayoed Willie Joe Johnson, 4; Glen Flanagan defeated Bob Terrance, 10; Rocky Rivero kayoed Silvio Frias, 4.

Joey Durelle kayoed Ray Lynah, 1; Joey Fisk defeated Ray Trotter, 6; Ronnie Cohen kayoed Robert Scott, 1; Charley Yates won over Frank Smith, 6.

Billy Collins defeated Al Grant, 6; Johnny Gilden kayoed London Graham, 2; Sugar Cliff kayoed Howie Reed, 4.

Joe Salci defeated Jim Johnson, 6; Herman Fandel defeated Andrew Richards, 6; Bob O'Hara kayoed Willie Martin, 3; Silvestre Villarreal defeated Earl Basting, 6; Jimmy Biggs won over Bobby Hurtt, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

British and Empire Champion Dave Charnley added the European crown to his laurels by stopping Mario Vecchiato, 10, Mario previously had beaten Epiphane Akono, 10.

Paul Jorgensen returned to action after a long layoff and stopped Carlos Macias, Fred Galiana defeated Victor Pepeder, 10.

Johnny Gonsalves outboxed Bobby Scanlon, 10.

Carlos Hernandez outpointed Gil Cadilli, 10; Jackie Donnelly outscored Rocky Randell, 10; Baby Vasquez halted Ernesto Figueroa, 5; Doug Vaillant defeated George Berry, 10.

South American champion Jamie Gine outpointed Hugo Juarez, 10; Hilario Espana kayoed Al Olivera, 2; Roberto Cruz kayoed Sompong Pitaksamut, 6.

Julio Cesar Blanco stopped John Menochal, 10; Ezequiel Uribe drew with Pedro Rodriguez, 10.

Carlos Arregui defeated Cosme Maldonado, 10; Eddie Perkins stopped Chico Rollins, 7; Ramon Cervantes kayoed Alex Arenas, 5.

Santos Pereyra defeated Vince Derado, 10; Sammy Borja kayoed Leo Alonzo, 6, but lost to Fighting San Carlos, 10; Humberto Dipp kayoed Eduardo Meza, 6.

Tono Gutierrez stopped Tony Lopez Smith, 2; Sid Adams stopped Wayman Dawson, 3; Toni Huerta kayoed Horacio Otis, 6.

Stanley Wilson upset Isidro Martinez, 10; Kid Roma kayoed Humberto Vichis, 4; Chocolate Lopez kayoed Hector Ramirez, 3; Ben Escobar kayoed Rocky Moises, 5; Reyes Lopez bested Antonio Napoles, 12.

Johnny Van Rensberg defeated Ronnie Rush, 8, and Terry Gill, 8; Enrique Castillo beat Cisco Kid, 10; Carlos Rios halted Memo Ruiz, 2; Brian Jones whipped Spike McCormack, 10, and Teddy Best, 8; Mario Rossito and Cesar Orta drew, 10; Joey Reynolds kayoed Johnny Palmer, 6.

Frankie Dixon kayoed Marcellino Obregon, 5; Stan Fitzgerald and Eddie Crawford drew, 8; Hymie Budow and Bobby Marrie drew, 10; Arturo Garcia kayoed Chivo Diaz, 3; Chuck Taylor halted Bobby Speight, 2; Vic Diamond defeated Walter Wallace, 8.

Pascual Jiminez kayoed Felipe Sosa, 2; Hector Hernandez stopped Yaqui Quintero, 3; Rolando Mendoza and David Guevara, drew 10; Leroy Emerson stopped Jimmy Pettaway, 3.

Joe Melito stopped Carlos Perez, 3. Sid Adams halted Chuck Taylor, 5. Pat McCarthy kayoed Lou Carmona, 5. Tiger Smith defeated Henry Robinson, 6.

Luis Bello and Julian Alvarez, drew 8; Charley Douglas stopped Karl Wagner, 6; Bennie Gordon whipped Tommy Nethercott, 6; Manuel Gonzales defeated Rip Randall, 10; Dave Coventry beat Jimmy Norcott, 8, and stopped Leo Molloy, 4.

George Qninones defeated Al Tisi, 6; Johnny Bizzaro stopped Red Randall, 1; Juan Leyva bested Aldolfo Olguin, 8; Bobby Marrie won over Hymie Budow, 8; Claude LaBonte kayoed Danny Savary, 1.

Vinnie Hines kayoed Chuck Driver, 6; Ray Copeland defeated Morris Duran, 6; Ray Schlamp kayoed Pete Martinez, 5; Pat McCarthy kayoed Ralph Giacomo, 2; George Page and Howard Pasley, 6; Tony Santana defeated Al Tisi, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

European Champion Gracieux Lamperti retained his title outpointing Manolo Garcia, 15.

Rafiu King stopped Count Mont Bassey, 6.

Sugar Ramos halted Tony Padron, 8.

Kid Irapuato decisioned Hector Agundez, 12; Kazuo Takayama upset batamweight Leo Espinosa, 10.

Jose Luis Cruz scored a big upset kayoing Claudio Adame, 5; Auburn Copeland stopped Roy Jacobs, 11, and outpointed Aldo Pravisani, 12; Jose Martinez outpointed Mitsuharu Ikeda, 10; Jesus Santamaria defeated bantamweight Edwin Sykes, 10.

Italian champion Ray Nobile stopped Sergio Milan, 8. Sergio Gomez defeated Melvin Bourne, 10; Raul Vargas defeated Angel Bustos, 10.

Vince Delgado outscored Noel Humphreys, 10; Isaac Espinosa stopped Albert Robinson, 3; Rudy Coronado kayoed Lauro Garcia, 7; Danny Valdez defeated Juan Ramirez, 10.

Jimmy Carson won on a foul over Hugh O'Neill, 2; Lucio Gonzalez stopped Eddie Larranaga, 7; Fernando Sota won over Ronnie Perez, 10.

Chamaco Hernandez beat Jose Galvan, 10; Miguel Orona defeated Chano Barrientos, 10; Henry Macias decisioned Moi Torres, 10; Amorindo Amiouzzi stopped Juan Rolon, 5; Mario Diaz decisioned Chilo Barranco, 10.

Juanito Lopez kayoed Chuchu Garcia, 3; Oscar Diaz defeated Oscar Vargas, 10; Vicente Hernandez outscored Tony Arizmendi, 8; Rosendo Martinez walloped Daniel Silva, 8.

Manuel Solis stopped Arturo Hernandez, 3; Raul Reyes bested Nacho Dominguez, 8, Alberto Soto stopped Memo Gonzalez, 6; Gonsalo Andueza defeated Armando Torres, 10.

John Smillie stopped George Judge, 7. Bernie Taylor bested Johnny Howard, 8, and Ron Jones, 8; Kid Chick stopped Bob Shaughnessy, 3, and Larry Silva, 2; Ray Salazar stopped Spider Walker, 2; Lito perez whipped Daniel Berrios, 6; Jose Perez kayoed Conrado Williams, 4.

Kid Chocolate bested Jim Harris, 6; Ricardo Reyes defeated Martin Moncada, 6; Emidio Flores stopped Teddy Rand, 3; Oney Mingues stopped Jackie Mercer, 5; Willie McCray defeated Hector Rodriguez, 6.

Chino Diaz defeated Jamie Cruz, 6; Ray Salazar stopped Melchor Contreras, 3; Chuck Tanner kayoed Ken Perry, 2.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

World Champion Joe Becerra kayoed Pimi Barajas, 7, (non-title); former champion Alphonse Halimi outpointed Louis Poncy, 10.

Piero Rollo decisioned Dennis Adjee, 10; Michel Lamora, 10, and Eugene LeCozanet, 10; Ancent Otilio Galvan scored a big upset kayoing Jose Lopez, 7. Lopez kayoed Rudy Valdes, 8.

Mexican Champ Joe Medel upset Danny Kid, 10; Orient champ Leo Espinosa lost to featherweight Kazuo Takayama, 10; Manuel Armenteros whipped Jose Galvin, 10, but drew with Ignacio Pina, 10; E. T. B. Sanong and Akira Oguchi drew, 10.

Benny Casing kayoed Al Wilcher, 5; Cuban Champ Felix Gutierrex was held to a draw by Ignacio Perez, 10; Baby Moe Mario upset flyweight Dommy Ursua, 10.

Mario Sitri and Federico Scarponi, 12; Edwin Sykes lost to featherweight Jesus Santamaria, 10; Pedro Ortiz defeated Kiki Casanova, 10; Kiki also lost to Hector Hicks, 10; Koji Ishibashi outpointed Kozo Nagati, 10.

Javier Garfias defeated Cain Rogero, 10; but was stopped by Juan Ibares, 5; Luis Regueira kayoed Roberto Cordero, 2; Pajaro Gonzales outscored Abe Villa, 10; Jose Antonio Perez defeated Italo Cajina, 10; but was stopped by Victor Aspilla, 10; Johnny Morrissey won on a foul over Dwight Hawkins, 5.

Antonio Diaz defeated Santos Seoane, 8; Luis Moreno kayoed Mieres Hernandez, 2; Roy Beamon edged out Henri Schmid, 10; Memo Tellez won from Memo Gonzales, 10; Killer Solomon defeated Eduardo Frutos, 8, twice; and Roberto Delcid, 6.

George Bowes whipped Peter Lavery, 10; Derek Lloyd stopped Pat Clancy, 6; Warrior Mangubat defeated Speedy Paredes, 10; Carlos Hernandez decisioned Raul Leanos, 10; Jorge Alatorre won from Gustavo Sosa, 10; Jae Quen Yang beat Johnny Jito, 10.

Juanito Mendoza kayoed Luis Gonzales, 5; Chatito Ochoa outscored Fidel Cruz, 10; Ismael Gutierrez stopped Cuervo Salinas, 5; Chuy Rodriguez and Monito Luna drew, 10; Chaparro DeLeon bested Panchito Saldivar, 10; Arturo Vazquez drew with Juan Sanchez, 10, and beat Gonzalo Galan, 10; Delfino Martinez outscored Yaqui Silva, 8.

Teo Castaneda defeated Rush Benny, 6; Glauco Ferreiro stopped Sal Villa, 3; Kid San Martin kayoed Jose Mendez, 8; Pepino Morales defeated Oney Mingues, 6; Juan Sanchez whipped Ponchito Gonzalez, 8.

Victor Manuel Rodriguez won from Ardilla Garcia, 10, and stopped Baby Zarate, 8; Cuate Sanchez whipped Julio Moreno, 8; Chuy Rodriguez drew with Changa Magallanes, 10; Gallito Gonzales kayoed Pepe Hernandez, 3; Robert Lopez kayoed Chucho Castaneoa, 5; Mosco Vargas stopped Domingo Hernandez, 5.

FLYWEIGHTS

Orient champion Sadao Yaoita retained his title outpointing Kunoi Vithichai, 12.

European champion Risto Luukkonen defeated bantam Gerhard Topf, 10; Dommy Ursua was upset by bantam Baby Moe Mario, 10.

Edmundo Esparza upset Nacho Escalante, 10; Jupiter Mansilla defeated Juan Romo, 10; Carlos Rodriguez beat Hurbeta Sosa, 10.

Pollito Uribe defeated Sal Melendez, 10; Albert Younsi upset Salvatore Burruni, 10; Pierre Rossi defeated Henri Schmid, 10; Romy Sison decisioned Yoshikatsu Furukawa, 10.

Felix Padilla upset Silvestre Martinez, 8; Little Rufe and Young Bonnie drew, 12; George McDade defeated Pat Clancy, 10; Jackie Brown won from Pancho Bhatachaji, 8.

Kid Independence Jr. outscored Flash Virgilio, 10; Fidel Alfaro decisioned Chucho Hernandez, 10; Giacomo Spano drew with Salvatore Manca, 8.

Luis Jiminez stopped Jose Luis Dominguez, 4; Babe Ballas kayoed Joey Gouldonio, 1.

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couple months. LaPoint will team up with Tarzan Tourville to form a very solid tag team combination.

Emile Koverley, brother of K. O. Koverley, who starred on the mat in the middle forties, is coming along like a prairie fire. Kathy Starr is showing the way to lady performers while Mighty Ursus, Reggie Parks and Shag Thomas have their admirers doing nips up in the provincial arenas. They are all performers who are capable of offering invigorating action and that is what Canadian fans want.

Whipper Billy Watson is one of the greatest humanitarians in the sport of wrestling. He goes out of his way to help the less fortunate in this world.

Fritz von Erich, "The Berlin Blitzkrieg," is causing concern with his dreaded "Claw-Hold" in Canadian rings. It is feared that he may cause permanent damage to some of his opponents—even after an opponent concedes a fall Fritz keeps it clamped on. It usually has to be pried apart by the referee. Von Erich claims that when he applies the hold his fingers lock and he has no control over them.

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THE LATEST JONES BOY

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only 116 pounds," said Koskowitz. *"When I became afraid he would be hurt I made him quit, but by then he knew what boxing was all about. He still does."*

Hockmer is in the gym in the afternoon teaching and coaching Jones. While his promising charge trains faithfully nothing takes the place of an actual fight. Only in the ring before a crowd can he get the experience he needs.

"I get a kick from the crowd. I enjoy fighting," said Jones. *"I never think about hurting my opponent. To me boxing is a game of skill. To win I must play it better than the other fellow."*

And when the cheers of the crowd have died away, Jones returns to his family to dream. When he talks about "getting to be champ," he is only putting his dreams into words.

When Brenner sees Jones as a heavyweight, he is looking into the future. The time is not yet, and may not be soon, but the possibility exists.

Thumbing through the Ring Record Book and Encyclopedia one discovers the light-heavyweight division has produced at least four heavyweight champions. Gene Tunney built himself into a full grown heavyweight scaling 190 pounds. James J. Braddock and Ezzard Charles had successful careers as light-heavyweights before winning the Big Title.

Floyd Patterson won an Olympic title at 165 pounds. Jones, when a private in the Air Force, didn't do as well. He lost in the semi-final round of the U. S. Olympic tryouts.

While Tunney was an American light-heavyweight champion, no world champion of the 175 pound division has succeeded in gaining the heavyweight throne. Moore, in two attempts, was knocked out by Rocky Marciano and by Patterson.

Others who tried, only to fail, were Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Georges Carpentier, Tommy Loughran, John Henry Lewis, Gus Lesnevich and Joey Maxim.

Bob Fitzsimmons, a three time champion, won the world light-heavyweight crown, but he did this after losing the heavyweight title to James J. Jeffries. Ruby Robert was middleweight champ when he knocked out James J. Corbett. Here he succeeded where later on another middleweight champion was to fail. Stanley Ketchel, in his bid for the heavyweight championship, was knocked out by Jack Johnson.

All this is history. Jones is just starting out, and it is well to remember there was 200 pounds behind the right hand Ingemar Johansson threw to destroy Patterson.

"Right now I'm satisfied," said Douglas David Jones. *"My first ambition was to become a rated fighter, and I made it."*

WELTERS EVOKE

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big, the works. So what does this guy do? He goes out with a friend, has a bite to eat with a cup of coffee. While he's in New York he's living with a friend in Brooklyn and he's in bed before most of these modern guys have finished eating at night.

"That's why the guy will be good for a long time despite his being thirty-two."

We mentioned that many of the ringside experts had opined that Thompson was a throwback to the "old" school of fighters. To quote one of the frost faces: *"That Thompson has it! He makes the moves and knows the answers both inside, and at long range. He's a dammed good mechanic."*

Talk turned to the oldtimers and some of the pugs still pushing leather who could qualify in that category. Archie Moore, Pascual Perez, Robinson, and maybe not as good but certainly a superb ring mechanic with solid grounding in the basics, Thompson.

How did he feel about being thrown in with talents like these? He's confident but not boastful; thinks he's as good as anyone in his division but makes no claim to greatness.

He has a good sense of humor, can be direct or turn a corner with his answers.

Asked to compare certain fighters he slipped the punch and divided all fighters into two broad groupings.

"You are either a fighter or you're not. Either you are willing to do everything possible to be a good fighter or you are in it only for the money. And despite many recent stories I have liked boxing and being a fighter.

"I work hard at my business, it took me years and only recently did I want to come to the United States. And as one of your great Generals said leaving the Philippines: 'We will be back'! I hope to win the title from winner of the Paret-Jordan fight."

This led us into his fight with Paret. Did he think the draw decision was just.

"Yes," it was a fair decision but that Paret. "What a head that man's got, I hit him harder than I ever did Jordan and it hurt my hand more than it did his head. I hit Jordan and he went out I hit Paret and it was like hitting concrete."

He continued, *"Paret is busy, keeps coming in and can really take a punch, but he takes too much. It will catch up with him before too long."*

We asked about the coming welterweight championship fight. Did he think Paret could take Jordan? Whom would he rather face in ninety days?

One could sense his reluctance at putting either Paret or Jordan on the spot.

"I'll be happy to fight either one but since you insist I think Paret will win it."

Asked why, he gave a direct answer.

"Paret is younger and too strong . . . he has stamina."

What about Jordan?

"Jordan, is faster to get inside than Paret," he moved to show how fast Jordan could get inside his defense, *"But Paret will outlast him.*

"In my fight with Jordan he was on me, pushing at me, inside and he was much faster than Paret. It was hard to keep Jordan away from me. But, Paret, he throws much more punches. He is also much slower getting inside my defense.

"The main thing about this Paret, though, is his head . . . what a hard one," he rubbed his own knob to emphasize his comment.

Would he fight while waiting for his chance at a world title? He thought *"Probably, yes"*. A fighter gets rusty and he has his own ideas about training. Nothing spectacular like Archie Moore's diet but simply eating anything that is wholesome . . *"That's good for you,"* he stated.

He believes you have to live clean. Says that he trains for three weeks at most for an important fight and has fought as much as twice a week in South American rings. *"I often fight on Tuesday and Thursday nights each week,"* he said.

Federico thinks fighting a minimum of twenty-five fights a year is necessary for a fighter to remain in top form.

Thompson may not be the best fighter ever to come up from South America, but he is going to be heard from before all the chips have been thrown into the pot.

Federico may have had his linguistic problems, but his fistic ability will be understood in any language.

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

By Johnny Seubert

▶ Civic Auditorium—Joey Limas, 137¾ lbs., Albuquerque, unanimously decisioned Ray Portilla, 142, Houston, in a 10 round main event.

Danny Salazar, 141, Houston, split-decisioned Al Boudreaux, 141, Dallas, in an 8 round semi-wind-up.

Art Sedillo, 148, Las Vegas, N. Mex., flattened Dixon McDonald, 147½, Albuquerque, in 0:27 of round one of a scheduled six-rounder.

Joey Olguin, 129, Albuquerque, stopped Joey Valdez, 128, in 0:30 of the sixth and final stanza.

Civic Auditorium—Flory Olguin, 139¾, Albuquerque, unanimously decisioned Ray Portilla, 141¾, Houston, in the top ten round main go.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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Usually, especially in a crowded place like New York, the sports fans spend their week-ends out of the Big City. Breaking into their week-end pleasures won't be so easy for the Garden and its sponsors.

Even the usual publicity the Friday night shows obtained will be cut down. Newspapers in the Metropolitan area go to press early on Saturday with their huge Sunday editions. They won't be able to wait for a Garden fight to end. The reports of the contest will either be slim or the public won't get any reports at all in their Sunday editions except in the final runs which are usually kept within the city confines.

Those are the things that apparently have been overlooked in the shift. It is a cinch that even the home televiewers will be fewer based on week-end outings, pleasure trips and the fine varied problems to which the viewers have been accustomed over the years.

It seems a certainly that the Wednesday night fight program will go off the air after the completion of the present contract, leaving the fate of the Jim Norris National Boxing Enterprises in Chicago, which stages the Wednesday fights, much up in the air.

When the N.B.C. announced that it would retire from the television of fights, it gave as a reason the various investigations that placed the sport in public disrepute, but this, the sponsors declare, is not a true version. The Gillette Razor Company, the sponsor that paid for the program, said this is not a valid reason and said that NBC was dissatisfied because it didn't own the fight package for which the Razor Company paid only for that portion of the hour used by it.

Whatever the reason, we feel that the corruption of the sport as brought out in several investigations had much to do with the break. Let's see now what we who have blamed television for boxing's fall in attendances will find as the most contributing cause in the difficulties the sport finds itself.

GARDEN MERGER WON'T AFFECT BOXING

When Judge Ryan passed down a verdict to split asunder the James J. Norris International Boxing Club "monopoly" that stretched its tentacles across the country, those in boxing hazarded many a guess as to the results his decision would cause.

Norris was given seven years to unload his interests in Madison Square Garden. As quickly as possible he lived up to the terms of Judge Ryan's decision.

An announcement was made, subject to the approval of the court, that Graham-Paige Corp., a closed end investment company, was purchasing the Norris block of stock. The transaction came to pass and GP eventually ended up with approximately 84% of the Garden stock.

Latest news has it that Graham-Paige Corp. will merge Madison Square Garden "with and into" the closed end investment company and that the Garden as a corporation will then cease to exist.

The number of shares held by GP, the exchange ratio of Graham-Paige to Garden stock, the financial balance sheets that will supposedly reflect savings due to the elimination of many general corporate expenses, all are of great interest to the business man, to the stock market manipulator, but to the boxing fan this is all a lot of conversation.

What the boxing boff wants to know is how does this effect his diet of fistic fare? Will the Garden still have boxing? Will the same people be handling the fights?

For these answers let's go to Admiral John J. Bergen, chairman of the board of directors for the Garden and for Graham-Paige Corporation.

He has stated to the press that: *"We're completely happy with everything in the operation."* He did say that he would like to see the Rangers hockey team and the Knickerbockers basketball five, finishing higher in the standings than they did this past year.

Said the Admiral: *"There will probably be a Garden Division of GP, although the Garden stock will disappear from the Stock Exchange board. We don't contemplate many sweeping economies or personnel changes. We have taken over many firms at GP such as a Tulsa firm we took over seven years ago . . . they're still running their own ship exactly as before.*

"As to economies. . . .? We're planning constantly to improve the building and will strive for more and better events in Madison Square Garden."

A sport enthusiast, there appears to be a pet spot in the Admiral's heart for boxing.

Asked about the switch from Friday night television to Saturday and the general boxing plant the Admiral said:

"It shouldn't harm us, I like the men heading up our boxing department. Harry Markson is a solid executive and Teddy Brenner is the right sort for the job of matchmaker."

It would appear that boxing will go on as usual at the Garden, tight ship under its Admiral.

WAS McGOVERN—GANS FIGHT A FAKE?

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were involved.

The aldermen, who had attended the fight as guests of Houseman, had been told that Gans would win, very likely by a knockout, and had laid their wagers accordingly.

The result of the probe was a ban on boxing in the Windy City. Harrison ordered the Police Department to issue no more permits for boxing shows. It was several years before the game was revived there.

While nothing bad ever was proved against McGovern and Harris in the Gans case, or in any other engagement, the fact is that Terrible Terry did come under suspicion a few times.

On May 29, 1901, McGovern met Aurelio Herrera, a tough Mexican, in San Francisco.

The betting was that Terry would win by a kayo. On the day of the fight, rumor had it that the Mexican would not be beaten inside four rounds.

The story was that gamblers with strong political connections,—and San Francisco of 1901 was no lily white village, if ever it had been up to that time,—were betting that Herrera would last four rounds.

McGovern gave the Mexican a sound thrashing. But the knockout did not come until the fifth. Those who had lost their four round bets hollered loud.

The McGovern side of the house denied vehemently that Terry had not disposed of Aurelio as quickly as had been possible.

In his very next fight, McGovern lost the featherweight championship to Young Corbett and, of all places, in Hartford, Conn. Corbett stopped the Brooklyn fighter in the second round. On March 31, 1903, in San Francisco, Corbett did it again, this time in the eleventh round. That was the end of McGovern as a competent fighter. At the age of 28, ill and disillusioned, Terry was through.

Now let us return to the McGovern-Gans affair. The evidence appears to be incontrovertible that the meeting resulted in a lack of effort by Gans.

In short, the fight was a fake, and it stands out as one of the worst in the history of the American ring.

It matters not at this time whether Gans entered wholeheartedly into the scheme to throw the fight.

It matters not whether Herford, pulling a big betting coup, gave Joe orders to pass out quickly.

It matters not whether, as was charged, Harris had been asked to let Terry take the dive, and that McGovern had refused and had got into a serious wrangle with his manager.

It comes down to this,—the Gans tank job takes high precedence in this series of investigations into the fights of dubious character of the last hundred years.

AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA

By Don Elbaum

ERIE—Hard hitting Johnny Bizzarro, the local pride, scored a sensational one round KO over Benny "Red" Randall of Toronto by way of Halifax.

The classy Erie slugger needed three knockdowns and only 2:28 seconds to score his 20th victory in 23 fights and his 16th KO. For the short time he was in there Benny showed good form but a tremendous right uppercut caught the Canadian fighter in the body and he slowly sank to the canvas. He got up at the count of eight but a few seconds later he was nailed with a right hand. Randall got off the floor punching but it didn't last long as Johnny nailed him with a left-hook and right hand and the fight was over.

The up and coming Bizzarro scored his fifth one round knockout. Bizzarro 133; Randall 128½.

The six round semi-final saw Charles Yates, Detroit, win a split decision over hard hitting Frank Smith of Warren, Ohio. Yates who has done most of his fighting in Europe was too shifty for Smith who came on in the last two rounds but it was too late to grab the duke.

Yates came in at 151 and Smith 145½.

Undefeated Joey Fiske, Erie made it seven straight over tough Ray Trotter, Detroit. Fiske hit Trotter with everything but the chairs but could not put the tough one from Michigan down. Joey won every round on all the score cards and he looks like a real comer. This was a six.

Fiske 142; Trotter 136.

Tommy Maddox, 148, of Buffalo, started his comeback in sensational style when he scored a one punch KO over Danny West, 149, Columbus, in 2.41 of the second. The first round was close but Tommy started taking command in the second heat when he landed a tremendous right hand that bounced West off the ropes into the canvas. Danny somehow got to his feet but fell into the ropes again and then bounded into the hands of the referee Johnny Seaman.

Tom Gerarde, handsome 178½, of Warren, Pa. won his second start since returning from Florida with a found round decision over Art Hayse, 188, Detroit. Hayse gave Tom trouble in the first round but Gerarde came back in the last three to win in a hard fought and exciting fight.

The opener saw Jim Berdis, Gannon College student, win his second straight over Walter Abbott in another four. Berdis was too rough and though he had more trouble this time out he won the duke handily.

Berdis 169; Abbott 179.

A crowd of 643 paid $1,528.

▶ Fast Jabs: Plenty of talent fighting around this area. Topped by Johnny Bizzarro other fighters who looked good are Frank Smith, Stan Fitzgerald, Tommy Maddox, Walter Turner, Joey Fiske, Jim Berdis, Tom Gerarde, Ferenc Martinovich and Pancho Padilla.

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CONQUEST OF FEAR

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opponent with his back turned toward me, removing a beautiful satin robe embroidered with a large golden dragon.

When he turned toward the center of the ring, I was shivering from fright. I saw a sturdy lad with bashed-in nose, curled-up lips and his body smothered with tattoo. His ears looked like two golf balls. What impressed me most, however, was his long reach, his hands hanging down almost to his shoe tops.

Brother, I was scared. I had an excellent trainer, however, in John Francis Kelly who quickly sensed what had brought on my condition and he got to work on me.

"Listen, kid," he said in a stern but firm voice, *"I know you're scared. But who is he to put such fear in you? Do you know how he got to look that tough?*

"Well, I'll tell you. He's been battered from pillar to post by his opponents. His bashed-in flat nose tells the tale. What others have done to him, you can do. You're clever and can hit.

"All you've got to do is toss that fear out of your system. Go in and box as you can. Stab him and hit him and you'll win the title and the respect of the boys here who have wagered their shirt on you. Remember, we depend on you. No Navy man carries fear into any fight."

That was back in 1908. I was lucky enough to win that bout and many more after that.

And here, twenty-nine years later, I found a similar situation facing not me, but one of my star pupils. Benny listened attentively. He absorbed all I told him. We flew on to Sacramento and I knew that I could depend on Alperstein to give his best.

In the opening bout Benny was in with Bracato and won that bout. Next he drew Drexel, a rugged chap and again Benny handed his opponent a free boxing lesson. That brought him into the final against Bates.

Just before the bell sounded, I cautioned him. *"Benny, go in there and don't be afraid. Just think of my fight in Shanghai."*

The gong sounded and Benny gave a beautiful performance of stabbing, counter punching and blocking and even dropped his man, but Bates got up before the fatal ten. In the end, Alperstein won the unanimous decision and brought to the University of Maryland its first national championship.

In his dressing room, Benny, all smiles, remarked: *"Coach, I'll never be afraid of anything or anybody. You taught me something—how to conquer fear."*

Two years later at Charlottesville, Virginia, Alperstein won the national intercollegiate title beating Doc Murray of Clemson College in the finals. Then he served in World War II and left active duty with the rank of Major. He is now a successful businessman in Maryland and a licensed referee and judge for the District of Columbia. He participated in several U. S. Army Overseas boxing clinics.

Speaking of the clinics, Benny declared, *"I always stress one point, that the conquest of fear is the greatest victory in boxing."*

FROM OUR READERS

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ANOTHER DEMPSEY

Dear Sirs:

I have been following Irish Tom McNeeley's career with great furor since his first professional K.O. over Richie Norton. Since this fight McNeeley has kayoed 13 opponents remaining undefeated in seventeen professional fights.

In his latest fight Tom was a 9 to 5 underdog against tough Willy Besmenoff. Willy came into this fight weighing a trim 195. The best shape Willy had been in for years. Neither the odds, Besmenoff's fine condition, nor the fact that this was only McNeeley's second ten round fight could keep him from knocking Willy from pillar to post.

McNeeley is no Jim Corbett or Gene Tunney but he is the best young heavyweight around today and it looks like boxing has found another Jack Dempsey.

James L. Kenney,
Teaneck, New Jersey

PALM READING

Gentlemen:

After reading your article entitled "June Fight Electrifies U. S." I am more firmly convinced than ever that Johansson will freeze the title for a long time after he disposes of Patterson for the second time. Johansson said "Beyond Patterson I am not planning." I think he will take his time about getting another opponent and then probably an easy mark like Henry Cooper or the pitiful Roy Harris.

Johansson will never give Eddie Machen a chance to even matters because Machen is a very dangerous fighter when he is in good shape and could kayo the Swede if he hit him right. You mention in your article "That Johansson would give Mr. Liston a shot is extremely doubtful. He never mentions him."

Liston is easily the best fighter today and it doesn't seem too likely that he will be beaten within the next five years. Another fighter who would kayo Johansson is Cleveland Williams. Williams is the most underrated heavyweight in the world. He has tremendous power and can take a punch very well.

Bob Houston,
Burbank, California

AIMING HIGH

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Nethercott.

HAROLD SIMMONS

A rose by any other name would smell as sweet, is an old quote. The same could be said about light heavyweight Harold (Babe) Simmons, who launched his pro career as a late substitute under the name of Willie Clemmons in Providence, R. I. against a local idol Lou Campanelli. Babe sprung a surprise by kayoing his man in the second round. Brought back a few weeks later he pulled off another upset by whipping Joe Gomes in eight rounds, thus starting his pro career as a main bout fighter.

Laying off all summer he resumed his fistic trade last fall under his own name back in the preliminary ranks and chalked up three straight wins to close out 1959.

So far this year he has gone to the post three times, winning two and boxing a draw, that with local star Harry Budnewski in Buffalo. Last time out in Madison Square Garden he gained an unanimous decision over former national amateur star Roger Rouse, who has a thirteen bout win streak snapped by Babe.

A tall good looking blue eyed twenty-two year old lad he comes from a large family of which he is the baby, having four brothers, and four half-brothers and two half-sisters. Married for four years he and his wife Barbara have a two and half year old son Billy.

Babe became interested in boxing at the St. Anne's Park Department Center in the Bronx where the instructor is Frankie Ippolito, a top lightweight of a few years ago.

He entered the Golden Gloves and went through undefeated in five bouts, winning two by kayos as he captured the 1959 Sub-Novice 175 pound title, it was following this that his adventures as Willie Clemmons took place.

In turning to boxing his followed in the footsteps of his brother Louis who competed in the 1949 gloves as a lightweight.

Simmons is employed as a truck driver for a national Beer company and would like to enter the trucking business himself when he has enough capitol for such a venture.

Harold is unlikely to outgrow the 175 pound division and while he is in an unpopular class, he is also in a class that is devoid of many top flight men and a good young fighter can reach the top quickly.

DAN LIVINGSTON

Another young man seeking to reach his goal is a 22 year old lightweight from Trenton, N. J., Dan Livingston. He comes from a large family and is the son of a Baptist Minister who had been a boxer in his youth.

One of six boys, his older brother Wally, is an active featherweight who in four years of pro battling piled up an impressive 22 wins in 28 bouts, after a top amateur career.

Born in St. Johns County, Florida, Dan took to the ring sport as a lad but never thought about boxing himself until after Wally turned pro. He won all 13 of his amateur fights, scoring 11 kayos, starting out as a featherweight and growing into the heavier class before launching his pro career last spring.

Doing all of his early fighting in Philadelphia he won four straight before losing a split decision to Clarence Ford, whom he is eager to fight again. He made his home town bow in December winning over Lou Eggleston.

That victory gained him the honor of being named by The RING as prospect of the Month, a prize that Dan is proud of as his brother Wally, chosen four years ago.

So far this year Dan has won three straight including two more before his home town fans. In his last start he defeated Leroy Tucker whom he spotted eight pounds.

Five foot ten, he is a good boxer who displays more skill than one would expect for his limited experience.

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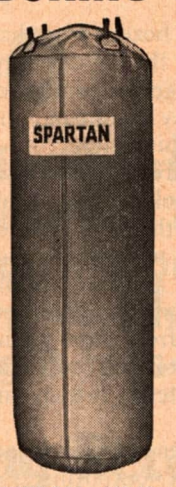

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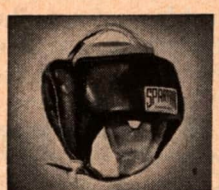

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A BREATH AWAY

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Louis—he forced the action and won the round on the score cards of the two judges, Pete Tomasco and Buck McTiernan and with these votes, retained his crown. They gave their ballots to Walcott by 7-6-2 and 8-7 margins, and the referee, Zack Clayton had it 9-6 for "Old Pappy Joe" to make it unanimous. That last round was the difference.

That is the closest that anyone has ever come to regaining the big prize. No one before or since has flirted with the victory, although many years before on May 11, 1900 at Coney Island, the cleverest of all heavyweight champions James J. Corbett, boxing like a dream, appeared to have the title in his hands against James J. Jeffries.

Corbett who had lost the title to Bob Fitzsimmons on the famous solo-plexus punch in Carson City, Nevada, on March 17, 1897 in the fourteenth round, had only one other fight before facing Jeffries who had relieved Fitz of the tira by an eleven round kayo the year before in the same Coney Island ring. In that contest he had lost on a foul in the ninth round to Tom Sharkey in New York City. That victory had earned Sharkey a shot at the crown and he was turned back by Jeff. With few challengers in the field, Corbett was given a chance and making the most of it, the thirty-four year old boxing master was in the best condition of his career.

As round after round went by, Corbett's ring skill kept the hulking Jeff at bay. Jabbing and moving Gentleman Jim piled up the points. Five, ten, fifteen, twenty rounds went by and it was all Corbett.

Time and time again he stabbed his fists into the face of Jeffries which by the middle rounds was cut and bleeding, but Big Jim would not be denied. He kept moving in despite the rain of blows showered on him. He slammed away at the body when he could using his weight advantage to sap the waning strength of Corbett. As the twenty-second round came to a close, the challenger was unmarked except for the red welts on his sides and body. The champion, on the other hand, was bruised and bleeding from a number of cuts on his face. If ever any man looked like a loser, it was Jeffries.

The twenty-third round began and followed the pattern of those before, Jeffries moved in but was met by Corbett's fists. Gentleman Jim was rapidly tiring. The strain showed on his face as Jeff slammed home his powerful punches to the body.

Corbett tried to stem the tide but now Jeff would not be turned aside. He drove his man to the ropes. The crowd at the Seaside A. C., cheered for Corbett to escape as he had done so many times in the rounds before, but now Gentleman Jim was too weary to move. Gamely he punched back, but there was little sting in his blows. He pulled away from a right feint, but the ropes trapped him and a jarring left crashed on his jaw and he dropped into slumberland.

Three years later, he met Jeffries again in San Francisco, but at thirty-seven he was just a shadow of himself and was stopped in the tenth round, making little trouble for Jeffries.

The heavyweight division had one other bout that saw a challenger appear on the road to victory only to have the triumph snatched out from under him. That was the Pittsburgh Kid, Billy Conn in his match with Joe Louis at the Polo Grounds in New York on June 19, 1941.

Conn, the master boxer, who had given up his title in the light heavyweight class to challenge the supremacy of Louis, was a cocky Irishman, and many blame that for his failure.

Spotting Joe twenty-five and half pounds, at 174, he took all that Louis had to hand out in the early rounds and came back strong not only to outbox, but outfight Joe as well. At the end of seven rounds all three officials had Joe in front. But from there to the twelfth, he was able to gain only one round that being the tenth, which one official ruled even.

Billy, getting stronger as Louis faded, won the eleventh by outboxing the Champion and continued this style of attack into the twelfth round. As the seconds ticked off, Conn was slowly but surely taking charge of the fight.

In the fading moments of the twelfth round he landed a combination of punches that shook-up Louis. Then a solid left hook to the jaw caused Joe's knees to buckle. For an instant the crowd roared and Conn's Irish temper soared. "Fancy Dan, with no punch, too small to handle a heavyweight, the press had said." He would show them. Next round he would knock Louis out, then let them talk.

Between rounds he told his manager Johnny Ray of his plan. "No," shouted Ray; "box him, Please Billy."

Conn came out with but one idea, knock out Louis. For the first two minutes he carried the fight to Joe. In a fierce exchange he stood toe-to-toe, and outfought Louis.

Then a ripping right to the chin made Billy grab. Louis, his killer instinct aroused, let go with both barrels. Again and again he crashed home blows to Conn's jaw. Billy sagged to the canvas and was counted out with but only two seconds left in the round. Going into the fatal heat, two officials had Conn in front and the other had it dead even.

(*Continued next month*)

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

THE BIGGEST NEWS FROM THE LONE STAR STATE DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH WAS THE LONG AWAITED RETURN GO BETWEEN SONNY LISTON AND CLEVE "BIG CAT" WILLIAMS.

Liston showed Texas fans that he's top drawer. He belted out our "Big Cat" in two heats, and looked tremendous in the process.

The Liston-Williams fight was beamed into two other Texas cities via the closed circuit route by Giant View TV Corp. of Detroit, and it was labeled a success.

Giant View and Texas Boxing Enterprises of Houston plan numerous other shows in the months to come. Look for some nationwide attention to be focused our way.

▶ The months results:
HOUSTON, TEXAS BOXING ENTERPRISES.

Sonny Liston, 212, Philadelphia, got mad when "Big Cat" Cleve Williams, 215, bloodied his nose, and proceeded to whack the big one out of the picture in the second round. Local fans swarmed all over Liston at the finish—he bids to be a real favorite in this sector.

Tod Herring, 200, Houston, bleeding from facial cuts in his short lived battle with Lejuin Burks, 207, Houston, turned on the power in round two to blast his foe to oblivion in the second heat. Burks, a journeyman, has fought Donnie Fleeman and Roy Harris among others. George Price, 169, Houston, won over Henry Burton, 168, Monroe, La., in a pleasing four. Mickey Brown, 164, Houston whipped Joe Cancio, 158, Brownsville, in a 10-round thriller. Charley Roberts, 210, Houston, deicsioned Jerry Keys, 192, Houston, in a four round contest.

▶ **SAN ANTONIO, W. E. FORE, PROMOTER**

The Liston-Williams fight was piped into the Alamo City, and the promoter also staged a fine live card. The upset of the year or years took place when Ray Portilla had his hand raised in the seventh round over world's lightweight champ Joe Brown. Brown received a separation of the ribs enroute, and was unable to continue. In another 10, Alejandro Lavorente, 205, Buenes Aires, needed but two rounds to stow away Garvin Sawyer of Cincinnati. Lavorente is coming on, and his quick disposal of the durable Sawyer stamps him as dangerous.

▶**Dallas, Ralph Smith, Promoter**

Also, in on the Giant View TV closed circuit telecast of the Liston-Williams bout, Promoter Ralph Smith matched Roy Harris of Cut 'n Shoot with the veteran Henry Hall of Milwaukee. Roy was well ahead on points at the end of seven rounds when the bout had to be halted to allow the screening of the Houston bout at 10:00 P.M. Roy got credit for a seven round victory, and he scaled 198 for the fight, Hall, 195.

Reagan "Buddy" Turman, 184, Nooday, decisioned Sonny More, 186, Dallas, in a very evenly matched 10 rounder Clayton Thomas, 176, Brooklyn, whipped Tommy Sims, 174, Los Angeles, in a six round bout

▶ **San Antonio, Tony Padilla, Promoter**

In a great battle, Jose Becerra, 123½, Mexico, decisioned Ward Yee, 121, Los Angeles, in 10 action packed rounds. Becerra had to go all out, and it was no picnic for the bantam champ. The Chinese youngster proved to be a mighty tough opponent, and there were some who thought he gave as much as he received. It drew in excess of $23,000, to break the all time gate receipt record for the Alamo City.

In prelims David Rodriguez, 128, duked Jesse Leija, 126, in 10 rounds. Louis Leija, 120, stopped Ramon Perez, 124, in the fourth. Benny Castillo, 147, won over Al Boudreaux, 145, in an eight, and Abelardo Varela, 135, kayoed Willie Vaughn, 138, in the eighth.

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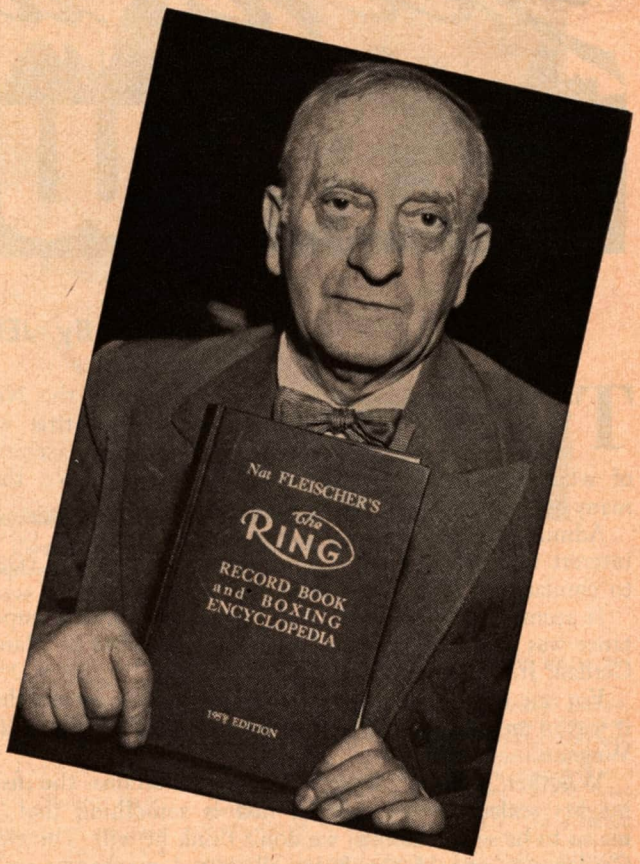

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Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE way the dispatches were played up in the New York dailies, you'd have thought a world title was involved. Two-column headlines and detailed accounts of what happened, and how, occupied more space than many local fights usually get.

Admittedly, there always is something more than casual interest when the son of a once outstanding athlete essays to emulate his illustrious sire.

It seems to us, however, that entirely too much importance was given here to the European ring debut of Marcel Cerdan, Jr.

For one thing, the youngster is only 16, and, for another, it was in an amateur bout on an obscure card in Paris' Salle Wagram.

Whether or not young Marcel ever attains the fistic heights scaled by his colorful dad is something that remains to be seen. Frankly, we don't think he will. The elder Cerdan was one of the finest all-around mechanics we've seen in the last twenty years. Ringsters today don't have the opportunity or the competition to develop properly, as Cerdan, Sr., was lucky enough to have.

Young Cerdan is starting with a tremendous psychological handicap. As the son of a former great world middleweight champion, too much may be expected of him.

It is seldom that sons of noted fighters become as proficient as their dads. The reasons are many and varied. If they are groomed by their fathers, they usually become too mechanical. They learn the right moves but cannot think for themselves when they meet up with the unexpected.

FATHER-SON COMBINATIONS

Young Bob Fitzsimmons was a typical case. There were few better boxers than Young Bob, but his *modus operandi* was strictly automatic. He was too defensive, with neither the combativeness nor punching power of Ruby Robert.

Such all-time greats as Mike Gibbons and Jack Britton were unable to accomplish much with their offspring, Jack Gibbons and Bobby Britton.

Billy Papke, Jr., was never more than a vague replica of his dad in the ring.

There was one "junior" who, properly handled, may have become something of a success, but, unfortunately, his manager, hungry for a quick payday, rushed him to destruction. It was Young Billy Miske.

Young Billy seemed to have inherited much of the personality and ring talent of his father, who died when Junior was still a toddling tot. We saw the youngster in training at Doc Bier's camp in Pompton Lakes, N. J., and he shaped up as a prospect worth tabbing. The kid could both box and punch, and had he been taken along intelligently there is no saying how far he would have progressed. But he wasn't given the chance to develop properly. After a few minor bouts, he was ballyhooed into a "money fight" with clever, ringwise, sharpshooting Lee Savold in St. Paul. That was the finish of Young Billy Miske's ring career.

Young Marcel Cerdan has not had the advantages—or disadvantages—of his illustrious sire's tutoring. He was only 6 when Marcel, Sr., died tragically in that 'plane crash in the Azores. If he's really determined on a ring career, however, he couldn't have placed himself in better hands. Philippe Filippi, one of France's outstanding managers and trainers, is looking after him.

It will be interesting to see what happens.

AROUND THE RING

British Empire middleweight champion Dick Tiger established a unique mark in his first two 1960 outings in American rings. In opponents he hopped from one end of the alphabet to the other, from A (Armstrong) to Z (Zalazar). . . . Incidentally, a guest of Tiger's at his affair with Victor Zalazar in Boston was a countryman, Chuma Acikwe, son of Nigeria's recently elected Prime Minister. Young Acikwe is studying political science at Harvard.

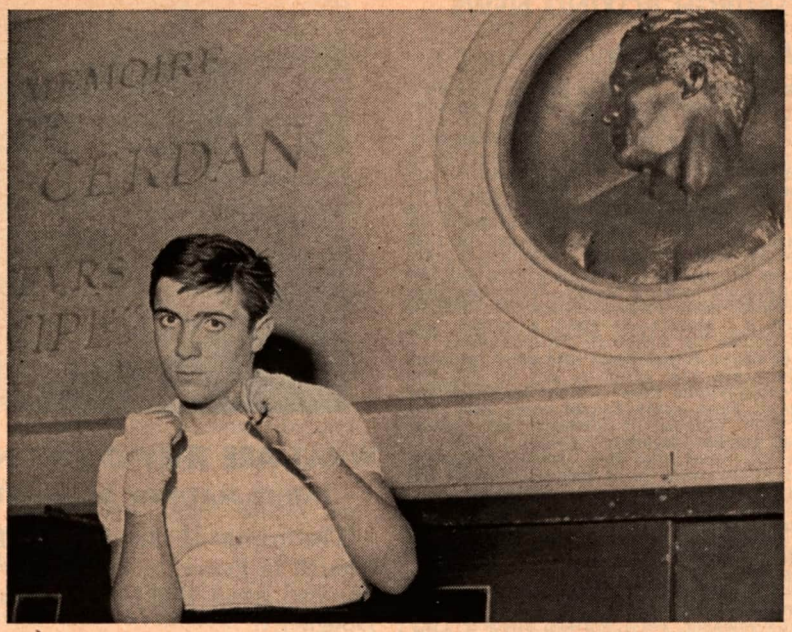
It was rather a grim bit of timing that Jerry Sachs, former Cleveland promoter, manager and gymnasium proprietor, should have been counted out only a few weeks after the passing of probably the best fighter he ever handled, Johnny Klesch. Sachs was 64; Klesch 59. . . . For the last thirty years, since he retired from the sock market, Jerry and his wife Jean had operated a popular dude ranch, health farm and boys camp on a 200-acre spread in Harpersville about 45 miles east of Cleveland. . . . Klesch was a busy campaigner during the '20s, and as a middleweight and light-heavyweight his many opponents included the likes of Jimmy Slattery, Billy (Young) Stribling, Bob Moha, Mike McTigue, Eddie McGoorty and Joe Chip. After hanging up the mittens, Klesch operated a night club and lounge bar in Cleveland.

Some of the strange edicts of our American commissions are no stranger than those of the European Boxing Union. In recent months Johnny Caldwell of Ireland knocked out Young Martin of Spain and lambasted Risto Luukkonen of Finland. So what? With the official blessing of the EBU, the losers, Martin and Luukkonen, fight it out for the European flyweight title!

Rocky Marciano did a fine job of refereeing the Gale Kerwin-Jay Fullmer TV bout in Miami Beach, but he had difficulty deciding who won what. Rocky's 98-98 points and draw decision meant that he gave each boy two rounds and called the other six even! He still was one round short of matching the score of another ex-heavyweight champion, Jack Dempsey, in the Ezzard Charles-Rex Layne affair in Ogden, Utah, in 1952. Dempsey had SEVEN rounds even in that bout but gave the decision to Layne, 2-1, on the remaining three sessions!

Another recent obituary item reported the passing of Jim Frawley, 74, long a prominent figure in ring activities in and around Scranton, Pa. Frawley was fatally injured in an automobile accident.

Barney Adair, popular Harlem campaigner of the late 1910s and early '20s, is ill at his home here in New York. A member of Leo P. Flynn's busy stable, Adair fought most of the top 'uns in both the lightweight and welterweight divisions, among them Benny Leonard, Lew Tendler, Charley White, Willie Jackson, Jimmy Jones and Pete Latzo. Until he became ill recently, Barney was working as a long-shoreman on the Hudson River docks.



16-year-old Marcel Cerdan, Jr., son of the great but ill-fated former world middleweight champion, has launched his own career. Youngster is seen posing below plaque to the memory of his father, donated by French boxing fans.

THE month's results:
For the second week in succession a favored Argentino was unexpectedly beaten at the St. Nicholas Arena by a preliminary boy promoted for the occasion to a main event. The loser was Antonio Marcilla, 145, and the "upsetter" Jose Gonzalez, 150, a transplanted Puerto Rican living in the Bronx. From Marcilla's standpoint, it was adding insult to injury when Gonzalez substituted on short notice for ailing Eddie Jordan. It was the first time the Puerto Rican had gone the ten-round route but he seemed to experience no difficulty doing it. In fact, he appeared stronger than the more seasoned Marcilla at the finish. It was a fast bout all the way, with Gonzalez's aggressiveness and right-hand punching offsetting Marcilla's smoother combinations. The scoring was close. Referee Mark Conn voted for a draw, but the judges, Fred Brunelli and Mike Parisi, had Gonzalez winning by slim margins. In the semi-final eight, another Puerto Rican, fast-rising Obdulio Nunez, 155, made it eleven wins in twelve starts by lambasting Mickey Dwyer, 153, Boston. In a pair of fours, William Davis, 148, Philadelphia, decisioned Wallace Roberts, 146½, Brooklyn, and Frank Daly, 136, East Side, won from Frankie Gray, 136, West Side. The non-TV'd card attracted 1,117 customers and gross receipts of $2,414.25.

▶Packing entirely too much of everything for his game but outclassed opponent, Bobby Bartels, 146, Astoria, required only one round and a half to demolish veteran Pat Mullane, 143½, Waterbury, Conn., in one of two scheduled eights at Sunnyside Garden. Mullane was still on his feet but virtually helpless when Referee Johnny Colan called a halt at 1:30 of the second. The co-feature also was abbreviated by a knockout, Billy Pickett, 158½, West Side, polishing off Al Styles, 156, Philadelphia, at 1:55 of the fourth. Al Dublin, 132, Brooklyn, outpointed Bobby McLaurin, 136, West Side, in six; Tom Brown, 153½, Trenton, N. J., whipped Don Turner, 157, Harlem, in four, and Wilbur Washington, 160½, Bronx, won from Eddie Scurlock, 161, Long Island City, in another four. The turnout was disappointing, only 451 clients sitting in on the action. The gross receipts were $1,097.

▶Resuming where he'd left off four years before, Eduardo Lausse, 160¼, Argentina, celebrated his return to North American rings by slugging his way to a technical knockout over Canadian middleweight champion Wilfie Greaves, 160, Edmonton, at 1:33 of the fourth in Madison Square Garden. Referee Ruby Goldstein's action in halting the affair with Greaves still on his feet may have been a bit hasty. Although Wilfie had absorbed a savage lacing in that round, he seemed to be fighting his way out of the violent storm while free-swinging Lausse was visibly tiring from his frantic efforts. It was an exciting affair while it lasted. Aggressive Lausse had the edge in the first two rounds but plodding Greaves began scoring in the third. A sizzling left hook at the start of the fourth buckled Greaves' knees and sent him stumbling back uncertainly. Lausse tore in with both hands whaling away. A combination of punches and pushes sent Greaves sprawling on the canvas. He was up at three but took the mandatory eight. Lausse resumed his assault but his attack was slowing down and Greaves appeared to be getting stronger when Goldstein intervened. Billy Lynch, 147, Hartford, Conn., won from Ted Wright, 150, Detroit, in an uneventful semi-final eight. In another eight, Dick Diveronica, 138½, Syracuse, N. Y., seemed lucky to get the decision over Tommy Pacheco, 137¼, Puerto Rico. Most of those present felt Pacheco had won, and a lusty outburst of hooting greeted the verdict. In fours, Anselmo Castillo, 128, Puerto Rico, outpointed Jerry Terry, 127½, Brooklyn, and Billy Rooks, 155, Harlem, outfought Clyde Washington, 153½, Brooklyn.

▶With a crack at Don Jordan and the world welterweight title in Las Vegas as the coveted prize for the winner, Benny Paret, 145¾, Cuba, and Federico Thompson, 146, Argentina, waded through twelve exciting rounds in Madison Square Garden with honors so evenly divided that the officials were unable to agree on a victor. Referee Al Berl had the aggressive Paret ahead in rounds, 6-5-1, but both judges voted for draws. Artie Aidala and Leo (Bobby Dawson) Birnbaum each came up with 6-6 scores in rounds, with Aidala tabbing 8-8 in points and Birnbaum 6-6. In his first showing in a North American ring, 32-year-old Thompson, kayo conqueror of Champion Jordan in a non-title affair in Buenos Aires, proved himself to be a smooth workman and a sharp puncher with nifty combinations. He made the mistake, however, of fighting in flurries while the younger (23) and speedy Paret hustled and bustled all the way with a constant two-handed attack. The Cuban was stunned several times by Thompson's jolting jabs, hooks and uppercuts but he fought back furiously any time he seemed in trouble. Despite the rugged punching, there were no knockdowns, but during an exciting exchange in the sixth Paret lost his balance and skidded to the canvas. Billy Flamio, 145½, Bronx, outfought Eddie Woods, 142½, Philadelphia, in the semi-final eight. Promising Obdulio Nunez, 154, Puerto Rico, encountered stiff opposition in edging out George Chimenti, 158½, Yorkville, in another eight. In fours, Bobby Gilmore, 126½, Paterson, N. J., won from Hector Garrido, 128, Puerto Rico, and Roland Kellem, 132, Brooklyn, decisioned Al Simmons, 133¼, Syracuse, N. Y. Reporting the best turnout for a Garden fight card in several years, the attendance was announced as 6,000 and the gross receipts as $18,697.

▶The rapid rise of Doug Jones toward the light-heavyweight Big Time continued at the St. Nicholas Arena when the West Sider, 171¼, edged out Von Clay, 175¾, Philadelphia, in a bruising ten. It was unbeaten Jones' 14th straight win as a professional and the most important of his brief but highly successful career. It was a hard-hitting affair all the way, with Jones displaying a bit more versality than the Philadelphian. Doug was ripped over his left eye in the first round but floored Clay in the second for the only knockdown of the rugged sockfest. It was anybody's fight going into the last round, Jones cinching the verdict by a strong finish. It was a costly victory, however. The winner had been slated for a TV date a month later with Willie Pastrano in Miami Beach but the gash above Jones' eye worsened as the fight progressed and required ten stitches after the bout, putting Doug out of action for at least two and probably three months. In a pair of sixes, George Quinones, 135½, Puerto Rico, outpointed Al Tisi, 133½, Bronx, and Benny Gordon, 135, Bronx, won from Tommy Nethercott, 137½, Port Chester, N. Y. In fours, Attilio Tondo, 190, Suffern, N. Y., outslugged Ike Thomas, 193½, Harlem, and Kenny Bryant, 149, East Side, accounted for the only knockout of the night by stopping Ted Brown, 145½, Harlem, at 2:27 of the third. The attendance was 1,392 and the gross receipts $3,815.83..

▶Al (Rocky) Milone, 155½, Coney Island, slam-banged his way to a clean-cut decision over the veteran Ike Jenkins, 154½, Harlem, in a rugged eight at Sunnyside Garden. Milone was penalized the sixth round for a low punch, but it had no effect on the final result. He was a decisive winner on the score cards of all three officials. In a batch of fours, Grey Gavin, 144, Brooklyn, had the better of Gaylord Barnes, 147, Valley Stream, L. I.; Joe Mangiapani, 144½, Greenwich Village, decisioned Cornell Lewis, 146, Harlem; Bruno (Biscuit) Socolli, 160, Astoria, whipped Delaw Baker, 157, Brooklyn; Eskil Emerson, 164½, Bronx, outfought LaMar Hayes, 158½, Fayetteville, N. C., and James Johnson, 160, Harlem, required only 29 seconds of one round to demolish John Allman, 158, Jamaica, L. I. For once, the arena didn't operate at a financial loss. The gross receipts, $2,340, contributed by 837 clients, gave the club an even break on the night's venture.

▶The "hex" which had been making things unpleasant for visiting Argentinos at the St. Nicholas Arena was conspicuous by its absence when another recent arrival here, Jorge Fernandez, 149, squared off with Mel Barker, 147¾, Austin, Texas, in a scheduled ten. New Yorker's first peek at Fernandez was an impressive one. The South American showed himself to be an aggressive, two-handed puncher, whose only fault seemed to be an occasional tendency to wildness. For the most part, he punched fast and accurately, particularly to the body. It was his lusty clouting to the midsection that whipped Barker. The Texan wasn't off his feet at any time but he had absorbed a savage lacing from the start and was near collapse when Referee Harold Valan called a halt. Two sixes also were shortened by knockouts. The semi-final ended at 2:50 of the second with Ricky Ortiz, 155, Puerto Rico, winner over Tony Antonucci, 151½, Staten Island. In the other six, Sammy Jordan, 166, Union City, N. J., halted Sigmund Worthley, 165, Harlem, at 2:49 of the fifth. The only bouts to go their full distances were a couple of preliminary fours, in which Leverette Coleman, 160½, West Side, decisioned Wally Wilson, 157½, Harlem, and Dennis Kelly, 156, Astoria, outpointed Johnny Torres, 154, Paterson, N. J. Despite rainy weather, the non-TV'd card attracted 1,163 customers and a gross gate of $2,376.03.

▶Accounting for the second win in his "comeback" campaign, one-time welterweight title contender Isaac Logart, 146½, Cuba, lambasted Candy McFarland, 145¼, Philadelphia, in a fast-moving albeit one-sided ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was Logart's birthday (27th by the record book, 26th by his manager's admission and 25th by his own reckoning) and the Cuban celebrated it in auspicious style. He swarmed all over McFarland and kept the Philadelphian so busy on the defense that he had little opportunity to do much fighting on his own account. Candy did score with left hooks in

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PITTSBURGH BOXING NEWS

By Jerry Kiger Jr.

McKEESPORT, MORRIS BEATS AVANT AND SUCESSFULLY DEFENDS STATE TITLE; Johnny Morris, 160, East Liberty, floored Al (Babe) Avant, 159, Philadelphia, for an 8 count with a strong right hand loaded with T.N.T. in the third. Morris set the pace during the first four rounds but in the fifth and sixth rounds he loafed until Avant staggered him with a right hand to the jaw. Then Morris floored Avant in 1:30 of the 7th round. It took a lot of guts for Avant to get up after that one. It didn't do him any good because Morris drove him into the ropes and referee Buck McTiernan stopped it. Morris Avenged a earlier six round defeat by Avant in Philadelphia.

Matchmaker Jerry Kiger said after the bout that he'd use him after he got off the list (in Pennsylvania after you're knocked out you can't fight again for 30 days, this is a good rule because it protects the boxer against further injury).

In a six round semi final Jimmy O'Connell, 190, of Steubenville in 29 seconds kayoed 180 pound Sammy Jackson of Cleveland.

Although the fans thought different Tommy O'Connors 137, of Garfield won a split decision over popular Billy Lowery, 133, of Braddock.

In four rounds Rudy Richardson, 138, of McKeesport all but killed Henry Culver, 136, of Duquesne.

Bobby Spencer, 146½, walked all over Tiny Tim Simmons, 138, of McKeesport but Simmons salvaged a draw. Spencer of Warren, Ohio was robbed.

The show presented by the Bill Speeney-Jerry Kiger combo netted $2,263 a paying promotion. Speeney and Kiger announced a show for the following week with Pedro Gonzales, McKeesport Middleweight vs Willy Parker very popular Youngstown, Ohio fighter.

McKeesport.—In another action-packed boxing show presented by Bill Speeney and Jerry Kiger, Chuck Taylor, 134, outboxed and out punched Carmie Price Ambridges, 134, was cut and will be out of action for about six weeks. The fight could have gone either way until Price's eye started to bleed, then the fans stopped rooting for the local boy and started rooting Taylor home.

Price by losing this tune up bout lost out on a semi-final bout in New York's Madison Square Garden with Dick DeVeronica.

Prelims: In six rounds Johnny Bizzarro, 134, of Erie, toyed with Roy Powell, 134, of Aliquippa and then knocked him dead.

In another six, Marion Whitehead, 152¼, of Braddock, won an unanimous decision over Carl Jordan, 150, of Glenhazel.

Joey Betrone, 154, of McKeesport, TKO'ed Joe Johonson, 155, of Clairton in 1:30 of the fourth round.

Billy Baker, McKeesport heavyweight, 182, made short work of Harold Hall, 196, of Homestead by TKOing him in 2:22 of the first round of a four round bout.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS

By Sal Giacobbe

AT WATERBURY. — Matchmaker Billie Brown's second venture in Waterbury featured an exhibition bout with former Champion Carmen Basilio boxing two of his proteges, Dick Vereronica of Canastota, N. Y. and Jimmy Johnston of South Carolina. Both exhibition bouts were well received by a small but enthusiastic crowd.

Three semi-pro bouts opened the show and were followed by two pro bouts, with Wally Roberts, 158, New York, defeating Joe Reeves, 160, Waterbury, in a four rounder. Roberts, although a newcomer, was very impressive in winning his bout over the more experienced Reeves. In another four, Cal Strong, 210, New Milford, making his pro debut, defeated Abe Davis, 203, Hartford. Strong is just what his name implies and he looks like a good prospect. Veteran Billy Taylor refereed and the gate was $585.50.

▶ Former Champion Willie Pep is promoting boxing at the Holyoke arena in Mass. with Vito Tallarita, as his matchmaker and his first three shows all made money, featuring new talent.

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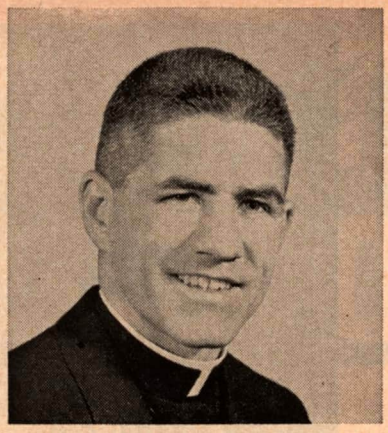

WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW

FATHER MATTHEW DOUGHERTY

The parish of St. Theresa R. C. Church in Perryville, Pa. can be proud of its new Priest Rv. Matthew Dougherty.

He is a ruggedly good looking man with an air of confidence about him. His ready smile and quick stride, his boundless energy are those of a winner.

Born forty years ago in Pittsburgh, he grew up in Ashland, Wisconsin, and it was while a student at Marquette University School of Journalism that he first turned to boxing, winning the Milwaukee Golden Gloves lightweight title in 1939.

The following year he became a professional to help pay his way through school from which he graduated in 1941 with a bachelor degree in Philosophy. With three years out from 1943 to 1946, when he did his fighting for the U. S. Navy, Matt plied his ring trade until 1949.

Until he entered the Navy he fought forty-one times, ending up with a total of 59 fights, losing 18. A good slick boxer, he scored only four kayos but was a real headliner turning in victories over Sixto Morales, Dick Bagley, Gene Ward, Jimmy Joyce, Chino Alvarez, Armanda Sicilia and Willie Roache. He drew with Robert Earle and crossed gloves with Leo Rodak, Gene Spencer, Leon Haire, Santiago Sosa, Tom and Kelly Jessup, Joey Pirrone and Baby Breese.

It was while attending Duquesne University, working towards his Master's degree, that he felt The Call. He had spent nine months in a hospital recovering from an eye injury suffered in service and had considered the religious vocation at that time, but when his condition was cured he went back to school and the ring, but later followed his heart and entered seminary at St. Vincent College in Latrobe, Pa.

Now, eleven long years after he hung up the gloves, Matt Dougherty has completed his quest, a man for all in the sports' world to be proud of.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

▶ **PROVIDENCE ARCADIA**—Bernie Lynn, 155, New York, repeated a January victory by taking a split ten round decision from George Maddox, 155½, Hyannis.

Johnny Freitas, 173½, Swansea, belted out Julius Owens, 165, New York, in the final round of the six round semi-final. Louis Anderson, 139, Freeport, N. J., flattened Joe Butler, 143½, Providence, with a vicious right in the second round. Mercer (Tiger) Smith, 133¾, Providence, halted Pete Bonelli, 136, Georgetown, Conn., in 50 seconds of the first round. Tony Caruolo, 138½, Providence, used less than a round to dispose of Charley White, 143.

▶ **HOLYOKE VALLEY ARENA** — Professional boxing returned to the old gas house with Willie Pep promoting and Vito Tallarita making the matches. They are running new talent cards. All boxers are licensed as professional although the bouts, except for the main event, consist of three two-minute rounds. In their opening venture, unbeaten Matt Mullane, 128, Springfield, racked up his sixth straight win by taking a unanimous decision over Bobby Soares, 132, Boston, in six rounds.

Frank Tallifero, 133, Hartford, upset Willie Pep's protege Kenny Flowers, 134, also of Hartford, by decision. Tony Marrero, 132, Hartford, proved too strong in decisioning Whitey Stratton, 135, Palmer. George Blake, 131, Springfield, belted out Junior Horsley, 130, Boston, in two rounds. Dubey Josey, 172½, Springfield, stiffened Joe Taylor, 165, Springfield, in two rounds. Don Roy, 150, Holyoke, eked out a decision over Jorge Torres, 155, Hrtford, Jesus Alicia, 119, Holyoke, outpointed Bob Campbell, 118, Boston.

▶ **BOSTON GARDEN**—Ambitious Tom McNeeley, Jr., 198, Arlington, waged a relentless attack on Willi Besmanoff, 195, formerly of Germany and now living in Wisconsin. McNeeley was so consistent with his attack that Besmanoff spent a good portion of the fight trying to fend him off.

Blair Richardson, 159, Nova Scotia, made an impressive Hub debut by quickly stowing away Dick Verde, 160, Palmer (formerly out of New York), in the first round. Gene Butler, 144, Boston, returned to the ring wars to gain a six round decision over Joe Salci, 148, now living in Chelsea. Bobby Barrett, 150, Dorchester, pounded Paddy Gill, 151, Boston, into kayo defeat in four heats. Bob Fosmire, 145, Boston, stopped Willie Moore, 149, Paterson, N. J., in the second. Johnny Mastrangelo, 154, Boston, whipped Bob Ingersoll, 160, Gloucester, in a four. Gene Fosmire, 128, Boston, turned pro with a four round kayo over Cliff Spears, 129, Cambridge.

▶ **HOLYOKE VALLEY ARENA**—After an even first round, Kid Chick, 124, Southwick, opened up in the second and scored heavily to Bob Shaughnessy's body. During the second round, Shaughnessy, 126, Dorchester, suffered a cut over his left eye. Between rounds the club physician examined the cut and advised the lanky Bostonian not to go out for the third round. It goes into the books as a third round tko as the bell had sounded for that session.

Dubey Josey, 168, Springfield, spoiled the pro debt of Carlton Smith, 164, Springfield, by taking the decision. Experienced Billy Clark, 147, Westfield, made short work of novice Ed Pascale, 145, Palmer, in the first round. Whitey Stratton, 141, Palmer, trounced Tony Hernandez, 137, Hartford. Joe Taylor, 169, Springfield was awarded the decision in a comedy bout over Willie Eberhart, 165, Springfield. Don Roy, 145, Holyoke, scored two knockdowns in beating Jorge Torres, 144, Hartford. Hard punching Al Costello, 154, Hartford, folded up Gino Colli, 159, Springfield, with a body punch in the first inning. Frank Tallafero, 136, Hartford, repeated over Kenny Flowers, 137, Hartford, in a rousing bout. Tony Marrero, 135, Hartford, overpowered George Blake, 132, Springfield, and gained the decision.

▶ **PROVIDENCE—R. I. AUDITORIUM** — Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 158½, Yonkers, N. Y., won as he pleased over Wild Willie Greene, 159, Providence, and was awarded a seventh round TKO because of a severe cut over Greene's left eye. Jones used a left hand to a advantage either as a jab or hook and each time found Greene's face at the end of it.

An improved Joe DiPerrio, 150½, Woonsocket, belted out Willie Mitchell, 152½, Boston, in convincing fashion in the final round of their six. Claude Nelson, 151, Boston, upset Hank Georgio, 150, Providence, in six rounds. Chuck Tanner, 128, Providence, stopped fellowtowner Ken Perry, 126¾, in the second round. Bob DiPierro, 166, Woonsocket, needed less than a round to dispose of Al Baker, 160, Providence. Johnny Gorman, 148¾, Providence, halted Eddie Wilkins, 152, Providence, in the first and Joe Savage, 170½, Fall River, did the same to Barry O'Neil, 187½, Providence.

1960 ALL AMERICAN
SECOND TEAM

Weight	Boxer	School
112	Bob Bruner	California Poly
119	Ron Nichols	San Jose State
125	Dave Nelson	San Jose State
132	Brown McGhee	U. of Wisconsin
139	Geo. Waggoner	Sacramento S.
147	Gary Wilhelm	U. of Wisconsin
156	Jerry Turner	U. of Wisconsin
165	Stu Bartell	San Jose State
178	Norm Tavalero	Sacramento S.
Hwt.	Eddie Rothman	Stanford Univ.

NATIONAL AAU CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT TOLEDO, O. APRIL 7-9TH.

112 pound class: Wayman Gray, Monroe, Mich. outpointed Rudy Martincz, Baton Rouge, La.

119 pound class: Oscar German, Muskegon, Mich. outpointed Everett Trujillo, Denver, Colo.

125 pound class: George Foster, Cincinnati, O. outpointed Nick Spanakos, Brooklyn, N. Y.

132 pound class: Brian O'Shea, Chicago, Ill. outpointed Norman Springs, Cincinnati, O.

139 pound class: Vince Shomo, New York, N. Y. outpointed Quincey Daniels, Seattle, Wash.

147 pound class: Phil Baldwin, Muskegon, Mich. outpointed Roy McMillan, Toledo, O.

156 pound class: Wilbur McClure, Toledo, O. outpointed John Rademacher, Grandview, Wash.

165 pound class: Leotis Martin, Toledo, O. outpointed Charles Holden, Chicago, Ill.

178 pound class: Cassius Clay, Louisville, Ky. knocked out Jeff Davis, Mobile, Ala. in 1:25 of the second round.

Heavyweight class: Harold Espy, Pocatello, Idaho outpointed Jimmy Jones, Chicago, Ill.

INTER CITY GOLDEN GLOVES CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD IN NEW YORK MARCH 21ST.

112 pound class: Wayman Gray, Monroe, Mich. outpointed Tommy Mathis, Plattsburgh, N. Y.

118 pound class: Peter Spanakos, Brooklyn, N. Y. outpointed Mike Loucas, Baltimore, Md.

126 pound class: Nick Spanakos, Brooklyn, N. Y. outpointed Jackie Kelly, New York, N. Y.

135 pound class: Vince Shomo, New York, N. Y. outpointed Brian O'Shea, Chicago, Ill.

147 pound class: Pete Toro, New York, N. Y. outpointed Ferd Hernandez, Sydney, Nebraska.

160 pound class: Leotis Martin, Toledo, O. outpointed Bob Warthen, Buffalo, N. Y.

175 pound class: Jeff Davis, Mobila, Ala. knocked out Robert Rutherford, Trenton, N. J. in 0:37 of the first round.

Heavyweight class: Cassius Clay, Louisville, Ky. knocked out Gary Jawish, Washington, D. C. in 1:46 of the third round.

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT MADISON WISC. APRIL 6-9TH.

112 pound class: Heiji Schimabukuro, College of Idaho outpointed Jim Mack, Wisconsin U.

119 pound class: Ron Nichols, San Jose State outpointed Jerry Armstrong, Idaho State.

125 pound class: Dave Nelson, San Jose State outpointed Bobby Cornwell, Washington State.

132 pound class: Brown McGhee, Wisconsin outpointed Joe Bliss, Nevada.

139 pound class: Steve Kubas, San Jose State outpointed Howard McCaffery, Wisconsin U.

147 pound class: Mills Lane, Nevada outpointed Gary Wilhelm, Wisconsin U.

156 pound class: Jerry Turner, Wisconsin U. outpointed Terry Smith, Sacramento State.

165 pound class: Stu Bartell, San Jose State knocked out Charles Mohr, Wisconsin U. second round.

178 pound class: John Horne, Michigan State outpointed Norm Cavalero, Sacramento State.

Heavyweight class: Archie Milton, San Jose outpointed Ed Rothman, Stanford.

ABEL FERNANDEZ

The path from the Ring to the stage is a well worn one that has been trod by many ex-fighter and present day ringmen.

While most have lacked ability as actor and have been mainly cashing in on their ring fame some have shown remarkable talent as actor, but few have been able to reach a higher nitch in the theatre than in the ring, one of the current crop who has done that is Abel Fernandez, twenty-nine year old native Los Angelean who is seen weekly on the award winning television series "The Untouchables" in the roll of William Youngfellow, the Cherokee Indian who was one of Eliot Ness' right hand men.

Fernandez born of Mexican, Spanish, Portuguese, Irish-Italian stock, has been cast in movie and television roles as an Indian. A six foot four inch 200 pounder with coal black eyes and blue-black hair, he looks the part of a warrior.

Able born in the shadow of Hollywood was movie-struck from the time he was a youngster and spent much of his youth sneaking into and being tossed out of Studio lots.

Abel boxed for four years winning 9, losing 10 and drawing 1. He scored 5 kayos and included Tommy Harrison among his victims. He also defeated Andrews, John McFalls and drew with Lonnie Malone, while boxing Freddie Beshore, Eddie Cotton, Jack Nelson, and Watson Jones.

He then went to work in the films as a full time job appearing in "Second Chance" with Robert Mitchum, and has been in sixteen other movies since including good parts in "Fort Yuma"; "The Harder They Fall"; "Target Zero" and "Many Rivers To Cross".

Fernandez has also been kept busy in Television appearing in over fifty shows including "Steve Canyon"; "Gunsmoke"; "Wagon Train"; Disney's "Andy Burnett" series; "77 Sunset Strip"; "Cheyenne" and "Playhouse 90".

Still single, this good looking easy going lad is working and training hard to further his acting career.

Although the part of Youngfellow is a big break, Abel would like to get away from type casting and try his hand at comedy and other type rolls.

TITLE JINXES

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The heavyweight title shifted from Max Schmeling to Jack Sharkey in 1932, Sharkey to Primo Carnera in 1933, Carnera to Max Baer in 1934 and Baer to Jim Braddock in 1935.

Jimmy McLarnin and Barney Ross played a two-part put-and-take series with the welterweight championship in 1934, McLarnin passing it to Ross in the first meeting and Barney returning it to Jimmy in the second episode.

With its eerie reputation, the Bowl was studiously avoided by champions for a couple of years, but in 1938 Ross, again welterweight title-holder, was prevailed upon to meet Henry Armstrong there. Once again the 'hex" cast its ominous spell over the defending champion. Ross was given a brutal lacing, and promptly announced his retirement.

That finished the Bowl as a major fight center.

IN LATIN AMERICA

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

BOXING CARDS DURING MARCH WERE FAIRLY GOOD, PARTICULARLY ON SATURDAYS. The bouts of Toluco Lopez vs. Lalo Guerrero, Al Urbina vs Manaro Vazquez and Babe Vazquez vs. Ernesto Figueroa deserved the interest of the fans. All results were as follows:

▶ Chuy Rodriquez, 116, and Monito Luna, 118, drew in 10. Delfino Martinez, 120, decisioned Yaqui Silva, 120, in 8. Paz Dominguez, 125, decisioned Julio Martinez, 127, in 6. Isidro Morales, 118, decisioned Luis Sansores, 117, in 6. Rolando Martinez, 112, stopped Lupe Cabrera, 112, in 3.

▶ Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 118, decisioned Lalo Guerrero, 118, in 10. Guillermo Tellez, 117, decisioned Memo Gonzalez, 118, in 10. Miguel Valdes, 126, decisioned Paulino Guerrero, 125, in 6. Armando Sanchez, 147, decisioned Hector Cruz, 146, in 6. Ramon Leon, 126, decisioned Alfonso Bonilla, 125, in 4.

▶ Carlos Arregui, 135, decisioned Cosme Maldonado, 134, in 10. Pachuco Raul Reyes, 126, decisioned Nacho Dominguez, 125, in 8. Jose Chavez, 118, decisioned Marcelino Diaz, 117, in 6. Jaime Perez, 112, drew with Pancho de Jesus, 112, in 6. Ray Reyes, 126, stopped Mario Medina, 125, in 1.

▶ Al Urbina, 136, stopped Mauro Vazquez, 137, in 9. This was for the national welter junior title, which did not exist in Mexico. Urbina is the lightweight king and as he cannot have two titles at the same time, he is probably resigning the welter junior belt. David Cervantes, 147, stopped Pichon Reyes, 147, in the tenth and last round of the bout. Cuate Sanchez, 118, decisioned Julio Moreno, 117, in 8. Enrique Camarena, 135, stopped Rafael Lopez, 134, in 3. Toño Arizmendi, 126, decisioned Tiburcio Vega, 125, in 4.

▶ Mario Diaz, 126, decisioned Chilo Barranco, 125, in 10. Rosendo Martinez, 126, decisioned Daniel Silva, 125, in 8. Raymundo Zavala, 126, decisioned Jorge Ceja, 125, in 6. Valentin Medina, 126, stopped Ricardo Vergara, 126, in 6. Abrham Castañeda, 112, decisioned Ramiro Rea, 112, in 4.

▶ Babe Vazquez, 135, stopped Ernesto Figueroa, 134, in 5. Figueroa announced his retirement after the bout. Hilario Espana, 135, stopped Al Olivera, 135, in 2. Ricardo Reyes, 126, decisioned Martin Moncada, 125, in 6. Manuel Garcia, 125, stopped David Gomez, 124, in 4.

▶ Enrique Castillo, 135, decisioned Cisco Martinez, 134, in 10. Juan Leyva, 135, decisioned Adolfo Olguin, 134, in 8. Raul Esquivel, 134, stopped Mario Torres, 133, in 6. Mosco Vergara, 118, stopped Domingo Hernandez, 118, in 5. Carlos Aviles, 118, decisioned Carmelo Sanchez, 117, in 4.

▶ Juan Ibares, 118, stopped Javier Garfias, 117, in 5. Fidel Alfaro, 112, decisioned Chucho Hernandez, 112, in 10. Luis Jimenez, 112, stopped Jose Luis Dominguez, 112, in 4. Fidel Hernandez, 118, stopped Marcelliano Diaz, 117, in the last and sixth round. Rafael Ayala, 118, stopped Benito Aguar, 116, in 4.

▶ Alberto Soto, 126, stopped Guillermo Gonzalez, 116, in 6. Juan Sanchez, 118, decisioned Panchito Gonzalez, in 8. Valentin Medina, 126, decisioned Paulino Guerrero, 126, in 6. Conejo Diaz, 118, stopped Coreano Vazquez, 117, in 5. Benjamin Matias, 126, decisioned Jose Oliveros, 125, in 4.

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BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

▶ **BUENOS AIRES**—Ubaldo Sacco, middle, kayoed Cesar Pereyra, at the "Luna Park" ring in 2.

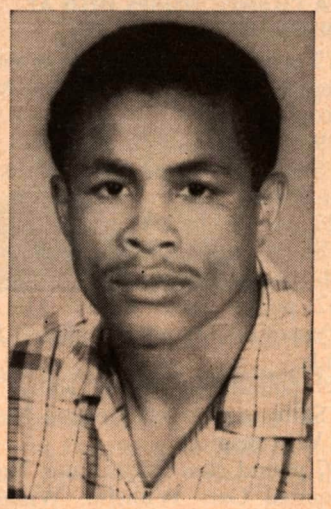
▶ **BUENOS AIRES** — Argentina flyweight champion Carlos Rodriguez outpointed Hurbieta Sosa at the "Luna Park" ring, over 10 rounds.

▶ **BERAZATEGUI**—In the welter division Benjamin Gallo won by a T.K.O. in fourth over Oscar Perez.

▶ **ROSARIO—At the "Norte" stadium** from this city, featherweight José Casas drew in 10 rounds with Hector Oliva.

▶ **MENDOZA—At the ring of the Asociacion Mendocina de Box**, featherweight Raul Vargas outpointed Angel Bustos in ten rounds.

▶ **BUENOS AIRES**—Undefeated lightweight Santos Pereyra, of Uruguay won in 10 rounds over Vicente Derado at the "Luna Park" ring.



Panama's Isidro Martinez a few years ago was being hailed as the new "Al Brown" by his countrymen, but he never lived up to his early promise and last month failed in another comeback bid when he was outpointed easily by youngster Stanley Wilson.

▶ **MAR DEL PLATA—At the "Bristol" ring,** middleweight Andres Selpa outpointed Miguel A. Rodriguez, of Uruguay in 10.

▶ **SANTA FE**—In the welter division and for the local title, Roberto Chetta outpointed Bernardo Romero in 12 rounds.

▶ **TEMPERLEY**—Juan Rolón, a good prospect in the feather class, lost by a T.K.O. in fifth round to Amorindo Amicuzzi.

▶ **SAN JUAN**—In the lightweight class, Julio Catalini won in 10 rounds over Juan G. SalDaña.

▶ **MENDOZA—At the ring "Asociacion Mendocina de Box"**, Nicolino "Nico" Loche outpointed Juan Campos in 10 rounds.

▶ **CORDOBA**—Argentine and South American champion in the lightweight class, Jaime Giné, outpointed Hugo Juarez over 10 rounds.

▶ **CATAMARCA**—In the feather class, Oscar "Cachin" Diaz won in 10, over Oscar Vargas.

▶ **BUENOS AIRES**—At the "Luna Park" ring the hard puncher Juan Carlos "Rocky" Rivero, kayoed Silvio Frias in the fourth round. Both are welters.

▶ **MAR DEL PLATA**—In the feather class and at the "Bristol" ring, Roberto Palavecino outpointed in 10 rounds Raúl Villalba.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Remirez Aznar

▶ **CLUB OLIMPICO, TORREON.**—Lerdo's newcomer Miguel Orona, 129, scored a clean cut ten round decision over classy but apathetic Feliciano "Chano" Barrientos, 133. Chano only really fought in the last round and during that chapter he certainly was in charge. In the scheduled ten round semi-final, Juanito Mendoza, 118, kayoed Luis Gonzalez, 116, in the fifth. Francisco "Torito" Galindo, 132, stopped "Chico" Varela, 136, in only two heats. Luis Ramirez, 117, upset Jesus Segovia, 119, in six. Hilario Ovalle, 117, bested Juan Alvarado, 118, in for rounds.

▶ **LaLAGUNA AUDITORIUM, TORREON.**—Manuel Armenteros, 120, was too tough for Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 119. The experienced Mexican-Cuban took nine of the ten rounds for a unanimous decision. In the other tener, Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 133, halted Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz, 132, in only two rounds. Baby Cisneros, 128, stopped Faustino Lucero, 128, in the eighth heat of their scheduled 8-rounder. "Chamaco" Hoyos, 132, knocked out Luis Martinez, 133, in the second. "Pilo" Moreno, 126, also kayoed Tony Estrada, 124, in three rounds.

▶ **ARENA OLIMPICA, GOMEZ PALACIO.**—Javier Garfias, 117, the little sailor boy from Salina, Cruz, had to work a lot to get a 10-round split duke over gallant Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 118. The sailor boy floored his foe twice for the margin of victory. Fidel Lucero, 140, in a great fight, decisioned Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 144, in the other tener. The defeated man was on the canvas three times. Roman Rodriquez, 118, iced "Chino" Anaya, 119, in the very first round. Agustin Salinas, 124, bested "Pajaro" Gutierrez, 123, in six and to start the show, Walterio Reyes, 131, knocked cold Juan Rosales, 130, in only one heat.

▶ **ARENA OLIMPICA, GOMEZ PALACIO.**—The big upset in La Laguna! Jose Luis Cruz, 130, the clever little Indian from Michoacan and stablemate of Champ Jose Becerra, outboxed, outpunched and certainly outclassed Claudio "Lobito" Adame, 128. In the third heat, Cruz landed his right cross on Adame's jaw and the husky wolfskin went down. The Wolfi arose from the canvas but he was wobbly. In the fifth, the little Indian landed another "lallapalooza" and Señor Adame kissed the canvas for keeps. In the scheduled ten round semi-final, Arturo Garcia, 139, got up from the canvas twice to knock out Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 142, in the third round of an upset.

Rest of the card: Gonzalo Rubio, 128, outscored Gilb Reyes, 130, in six: Walterio Reyes, 130, kayoed "Negro" Novella, 131, in the second heat and David Luna, 117, whipped Hilario Ovalle, 118, in four.

▶ **PUEBLA.**—Jorge Alatorre, 118, decisioned Gustavo Sosa, 119, in ten rounds.

▶ **CHIHUAHUA.** — Ismael Gutierrez, 117, halted "Cuervo" Salinas, 116, in the fifth heat. Pedro "Vetarra" Rodriguez, 135, fought topnotcher Ezequiel "Chicles" Uribe, 137, to a ten round draw.

▶ **GUADALAJARA.**—Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 146, scored his most valuable triumph when he kayoed Langston Carl Morgan, 144, Youngstown, Ohio, in the eighth round. Cota kissed the canvas in the fourth but he took revenge from Morgan by flooring him twice. Ramiro Rosales, 123, only needed but one round to send Angel Coronado, 119, to the Kayo Paradise.

▶ **MONTERREY.**—"Chaparro" DeLeon, 117, outscored Panchito Saldivar, 118, in ten rounds full of pepper. Arturo Vazquez, 117, and Juan Sanchez, 118, drew after ten heats.

▶ **ACAPULCO.**—Kid Roma, 135, iced Humberto Vilchis, 138, in four. Kid SanMartin, 124, stopped Jose Mendez, 119, in the eighth.

▶ **MEXICALI.** — Kid Irapuato (Ramon Perez), 125, scored a 12-round decision over Hector Agundez, 125, and got the Featherweight Championship of Baja California State.

▶ **JUAREZ.**—Edmundo "Mundo" Esparza, 113, the classy little one of the border, upset Nacho Escalante, 114, national flyweight champion.

▶ **REYNOSA.**—Frankie Dixon, 131, put to sleep Marcelino Obregon, 133, in five rounds.

▶ **MATAMOROS.**—Carlos Hernandez, 118, local idol, got a very booed decision over southpaw Raul Leanos, 117, in ten rolls. Pascul Jimenez "Kid Filipino", 136, kayoed veteran Felipe Sosa, 131, in the second.

▶ **CAPULCO.**—The Zoo over the squared box! "Pollito" Uribe, 116, bested Salvador "Sapo" Melendez, 115, Flyweight King of Guerrero State in ten rounds. The bout was under referee "Camello" Leyva. To make the picture complete, "Pollito" means little chicken, "Sapo" means toad and "Camello" is camel. Out from the Zoo, Felix Padilla, 114, defeated Silvestre Martinez, 113, in eight rounds.

▶ **GUADALAJARA.**—The old champ, Reyes Lopez, 134, kept his crown by easily whipping young Antonio Napoles, 135, in twelve rounds. Reyes is the Jalisco State lightweight champion since 1951 when he won his title from Babe Franco. In the 10-round semi, Fernando Gomez, 124, got the duke over Ponchito Macias, 125.

▶ **MONTERREY.**—Victor Manuel Rodriguez, 119, outboxed "Ardilla" Garcia, 118, in ten. Chuy Rodriguez Espinosa, 117, and "Changa" Magallanes, 119, drew in the other tenner.

▶ **VILLA FRONTERA.**—Alfonso Flores, 165, middleweight champ of Mexico, knocked out Rudy Gonzalez, 160, in two rounds. The Champ floored his foe three times then knocked him cold.

▶ **COLIMA.**—"Chatito" Ochoa, 117, outpointed Fidel Cruz, 116, in ten rounds. "Chamaco" Figueroa, 126, bested Ruben Ramirez, 127, also in ten heats.

▶ **DURANGO.**—Marcelo Vargas, 147, scored a good victory over Agustin "Chilango" Rosales, 150, in ten rounds. Manuel Solis, 126, stopped Arturo Hernandez, 126, in three.

▶ **VERACRUZ.**—"Panterita" Jacome (Facundo Sanchez Jacome), 125, stopped Porfirio Martinez, 126, in the fifth heat. Fallo Altamiano, 118, bested Marcelino Diaz, 117, in six rounds.

▶ **ACAPULCO.**—Rudy Coronado, 125, halted Lauro Garcia, 124, in seven rounds. Roberto Lopez, 120, kayoed Chucho Castañeda, 117, in the fifth.

▶ **MONTERREY.**—Arturo Vazquez, 117, outscored Gonzalo Galan, 117, in ten. Memo Ruiz, 130, whipped Chucho Alvarado, 132, in another ten rounder.

▶ **OAXACA.**—Rolando Mendoza "Ventarron 11", 130, and David Guevara, 129, drew after ten heats.

▶ **SALTILLO.**—Maybe the big surprise of the year! Super veteran Otilio "Zurdo" Galvan, 124, jumped out from his old rocking chair to smash famous Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 122,

former National Bantam Champ and highly ranked in The Ring Magazine. Believe it or not, Galvan knocked out Toluco in the seventh round. In the semi-final, Hector Ramirez, 130, stopped Tiger Flores, 132, in the eighth heat.

▶**TIJUANA.**—Ignacio "Kanguro" Piña, 117, drew with Manuel Armenteros, 119.

▶**JUAREZ.**—Veteran Eusebio "Chebo" Hernandez, 160, easily whipped Guillermo "Memo" Ayon, 158, in ten rounds. Old Chebo was too hard a hitter for Ayon. Tony Ortiz, 120, and Freddie Rodriguez, 119, drew in the 8-round semi-final bout.

▶**REYNOSA.**—"Chocolate" Lopez, 133, halted Hector Ramirez, 130, in three rounds. "Pulga" Sanchez, 119, bested Benito Azpiricueta, 120, in eight.

▶**DURANGO.**—"Chamaco" Hernandez, 124, upset Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 119, in ten heats. Agustin "Diablito" Campos, 119, kayoed veteran Serapio "Sapito" Jimenez, 121, in the third round.

▶**GUADALAJARA.**—Henry Macias, 123, defeated Moi Torres, 123, in ten. Juanito Lopez, 125, kayoed ChuChu Garcia, 126, in the third.

▶**ACAPULCO.**—Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 131, iced Alex Arenas, 132, in the fifth heat. Both men kissed the canvas twice. Vicente Hernandez, 125, outscored Tony Arizmendi, 126, in eight.

▶**SAN LUIS POTOSI.**—Humberto Dipp, 138, former national amateur champion, started as a pro fighter by kayoing veteran Eduardo "Cachorro" Meza, 135, in the sixth round. Angel Vargas, 121, stopped Jesus Rosales, 122, in the fifth.

▶**MONTERREY.**—Victor Manuel Rodriguez, 118, stopped Babe Zarate, 121, in eight rounds. Olegario "Gallito" Gonzalez, 122, kayoed Pepe Hernandez, 119, in the third.

▶**OBREGON.**—Al Mendoza, 153, outpointed Kid Zacatecs, 155, in ten rounds. Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez, 131, halted Eddie Larrañaga, 135, in the seventh.

▶**SALTILLO.**—Babe Texas, 118, stopped Pedro Zamora, 118, in the fifth heat. "Chamaco" Ramierez, 117, kayoed Tomas Lopez, 118, in four rounds.

▶**TIJUANA.**—Alex Miteff, 198, Argentina, kayoed Monroe Ratliff, 196, Hollywood, in five rounds. Jorge "Pajaro" Gonzalez, 120, bested Abe Villa, 118, in ten rounds.

BOXING IN CUBA
By Dr. Jorge Vietes

▶**AT HAVANA**—Undefeated Reiniero (Rey) López, 201¼, got stopped in 2.15 of the first round by Alejandro Lavorante, 206½, with a beautiful left hook. The Argentinian, fighting his seventh pro-fight looked very good and promising to me. A couple of months ago he went the ten round distance for the first time and lost his only fight, a close ten rounder in Texas to highly rated Roy Harris. If taken along carefully this 23 year old boy will for sure be an excellent drawing card and a rated man sooner than the year is over. Marcelino González, 158, won a savage eighter from Sal Hernández. González visited the canvas in the third, Hernández in the sixth, Arcadio Alvarez, 135½, stopped Gil Piñera, 132¾, in two, Daniel Pérez, 126½, stopped Daniel Brito, 125¼, in two, Al Toledo, 117¾, won in 4 from Lázaro Cañnizares, 114½.

▶**AT HAVANA**—Joe Stable, 135½, reversed his only pro-defeat, when he got the unanimous ten round decision from Angel (Robinson) García, 135½. (García holds victories over Alfredo Urbina, Isidro Martínez, etc., and held sensational Venezuelean Carlos Hernández to a draw.) Isáac Espinosa, 131½, stopped Albert Robinson, 128¼, in 3, Luis Regueira, 119¾, stopped Roberto Cordero, 118¼, in 2, Ramón Ferrer, 115¾, won in 4 from Estéban López, 114¼, Gene Carcacés, 133¼, won in 4 from Luis M. Nápoles, 135.

▶**AT HAVANA**—Middleweight champion, Paul Díaz, 158¼, retained crown winning a savage 12 rounder from heavy hitter but glassy jawed Baby Colón, 152¼ pounds. Guillémo Valdés, 135¾, stopped Pedro LaBarrere, 137, in six, Glauco Ferreiro, 121¼, stopped Sal Villa, 125, in three, Martín Reyes, 161¼, won in 4 from Angel Zaldívar, 152¼, Juvenal Mínguez, 126, won in four from Fernando Gutiérrez, 126.

BOXING IN NICARAGUA
By Gustav Kuper

The Gimnasio Nacional, in Managua, was the scene of two fights in the month of March.

▶**In the Gimnasio Nacional,** promoted by the two identically named (not related) Carlos Garciá's, the light-weight title of Nicaragua was decided in a match between Julio Cesar Blanco (134) and John Menocal (135). Scheduled for 12 rounds, the fight ended with Menocal being detained in his corner by his seconds at the beginning of the 10th round.

Menocal couldn't avoid Blanco's left hook, and from the fifth round on, due to a profuse nose-bleed, the ring-side spectators and the ring itself were generously spattered with blood. In the 10 round semi-final, the Nicaraguan bantamweight champion, Italo Adolfo Cajina (116) lost an unanimous decision to Jose Antonio Perez ("El Fotografo") (117); a non-title bout.

In the preliminaries, Ricardo Espinosa (128) won a unanimous decision over Francisco Castillo (124). In the best fight of the night, Jose Sequeira (128) won a straight decision in 6 rounds over Elim Petersen (128).

▶**In the Gimnasio Nacional,** Toni Huerta (140½) the uncrowned welterweight champion of Nicaragua, knocked out the Panamanian lightweight champion Horacio Otis (142) in the 6th round of a scheduled 10 round bout. After three rounds of sparring around, Huerta in the fourth round sank a left hook into Otis's solar plexus for the first knock-down. After three more knockdowns, Otis stayed for the full count of ten.

In the semi-final, Victor Asprilla (116¾), Panamanian, won a KO in the last round of the scheduled 10 rounds over Jose Antonio Perez ("El Fotografo") (118) when Perez refused to continue at 2:05 of the 10th round. The experience and boxing skill of Asprilla were too much for the beginner Perez.

In the preliminaries, Raul Gonzalez (111½) knocked out Karil Mendietta (109), both Nicaraguans, in the 2nd round of a four-rounder. In the six-rounder; the victory was given to Al Leon (120½) over Rocky Belgravo (124), Panamanian. After an accidental cut in the first round, which left Leon with a badly cut eye-brow from a head butt; Leon refused to come out for the second round. After the referee, Nyo Garcia, counted ten over the standing Leon, he then raised Leon's hand to give him the victory; being strongly booed by the spectators.

SONORA BOXING
By E. Campillo

Popular local boy, Tono Gutierrez (132) needed only two rounds to dispose of Tony Lopez Smith (134) in a scheduled ten. The main event was in keeping with the rest of the card. Every bout was abbreviated. The semi-final was over in the third, Hector Hernandez (134) halting Yaqui Quintero (130). In the preliminaries, Texano Hurtado (146) stopped Chavo Perez (140) in the second; Jesus Ocha (124) did likewise to Tirso Duran (128) and Jimmy Garcia (131) polished off Tirso Duran (128) in the fourth.

▶In one of the most thrilling fights of the year, Rudy Mendoza (151) bested Kid Zacatecas (152) in ten. Mendoza had just too many left hands for his opponent. Another ten ended in the seventh with Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez (129) knocking out Eddie "Zurdo" Larranga (129). Gaby Mercado (130) decisioned Monchi Lopez (126) in six; Ramiro Nides (113) outfought Charrito Velarde (114) in four, and Gus Quintero (125) drew with Camaron Lopez (133) in another four.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

At the Arena-Colon.—**PROMOTERS McLAUGHLIN AND CRAIG** gave fans 26 rounds of scheduled boxing. The main event brought together ex-featherweight champion Isidro Martinez, 131¼, against a newcomer, Stanley Wilson, 132, in a ten round affair. Fans believed Martinez had a walkover, but it was not so. At the end of the fight, Wilson was the winner by unanimous decision. Wilson wore Martinez down to a walk and won going away.

▶Killer Solomon, 116, from Jamaica, B.W.I., won a unanimous decision from Eduardo Fruto, 122, in the semi-final eight rounder.

The preliminaries: David Wright, 131, knocked out Carlos Cameron, 130, in the second round of a scheduled four rounder.

Salvidor Molina, 124, won a unanimous decision over Pedro Fruto, 125. Both boys fought well.

▶At the Municipal Gymnasium, Panama City, promoted by the Torres Brothers, fans got twenty-four rounds of leather pushing.

In the main event, Pedro Ortiz ("Manhattan Kid"), 119¾, (Panama's flyweight champion) fought a return match against Kiki Cassanova of Cuba, 119.

▶After ten gruelling rounds, Manhattan Kid earned a unanimous decision. This fight was mixed with lots of dirty tricks between the two but Referee Vivian Stewart allowed them. They had fought previously to a draw.

▶In the semi-final of 6 rounds, Jose Perez, 131¼, won by a TKO over Conrato Williams, 125½, in the 4th round of a scheduled 6 rounder.

Stanley Reid, 134, won a unanimous decision over Carlos (Kid) Watson, 134½, in four rounds. Watson has been absent from the ring for nearly two years.

Jose Pacheco, 118¾, won a split decision over Lazaro Fruto, 114½, in four rounds.

▶At the National Gymnasium in Panama City, Promoters McLaughlin and Craig offered fight fans 24 rounds of scheduled boxing.

In the main event Jesus Santamaria, 125¾, ex-featherweight champion of Panama, won a ten round decision over bantamweight champion Edwin Sykes, 123¾. The fight was well fought, but "Santa" showed superiority with his stamina in the ring at all times to give and take.

In a semi-final, Jamaica's Killer Solomon weighing 117½, won a unanimous decision over Roberto Del-Cia, 118¾.

▶The preliminaries: Esteban Santamaria (younger brother to Jesus) knocked out Carlos Kid Watson in the 2nd round of a scheduled four rounder.

Elogio Pontilles won a unanimous decision over Constantino Diaz in another four rounder.

This was a good card that drew gates of $3,090.00.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA
By William Albert

▶**AT PUERTO LA CRUZ**—Veteran Gonsalo Andueza, 128, defeated Armando Torres, 130, in ten rounds. Louis Aray Bello, 132, and Julian Alvarez, 131, drew in eight rounds. Kid Caimancito outpointed Jose Ramon Arias in six. (Bantamweights).

▶**AT CARACAS.** A card promoted by Rafito Cedeño in the Nuevo Circo, Carlos "Morocho" Hernandez, 130, scored an impressive TKO over Davey Moore, 128½. World Champion in seven rounds (non title). Moore suffered a double broken jaw in this bout, and was dropped four time to the canvas by our brilliant boxer. This was the most important triumph for Hernandez in his career. He jabbed and hooked all night, and demonstrated best condition and boxing. In the 7th, Moore speaking through his manager had the bout halted because of a broken jaw. A large and excited group of fans gave a fine ovation to Hernandez. Now, the "Morocho" is a new Venezuelan idol.

▶**OTHER STAR BOUTS:** Vincente Rivas Lightweight Champ outpointed Salomon Boy Saw U.S.A. in ten rounds. This bout was colorless, because Boy Saw used rough tactics. They weighed 137 and 138 pounds.

Mario Rossito, 138½ of Colombia and Cesar "Chivo Negro" Orta, 135 drew in ten rounds.

Luis Moreno, 120, continued undefeated as a pro, winning by KO over Mieres Hernandez, 124, in two rounds. This was the fifth straight victory of Moreno as a puncher. Enrique "Cara de Tabla" Castillo, 109, outpointed Jose Trejo, 107, in four.

Gate $39,495.

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BOXING IN URUGUAY
By Mario Laplume

▶**PALACIO PENAROL** — Amaro Millar (Urug. 66 k.) kayoed Roberto Gallardo (Arg. 70k.) in 5.

Jorge Fiordelmondo (Urug. 71k.800) kayoed Federal Magariños (70k400) in 2.

Ramón Torena (Urug. 60k700) outpointed Juan Saldaña (Arg.60k) in 8.

Jupiter Mansilla (Urug. 50k600) decisioned Juan Romo (Arg.50k600) in 10.

Gate Receipts: $13,213.50 (u$s 1.150.—)

▶**LUNA PARK, BUENOS AIRES**—In the main bout, Santos Pereyra (Urg.61k.) decisioned Vincente Derado (Arg.60k.) in 10.

We hope that Pereyra, a very good boxer, will make good in his Argentine campaign.

▶**PALACIO PENAROL** — Ruben Orrico (Urg. 69k500) decisoned Roberto Gallardo (70 k.) in 4.

Gualberto Fernández (Urug.60k) kayoed Cesar Muñoz (Arg.57k200) in 3.

Alvarestino de los Santos (Urug. 57k700) decisioned José Leyes (Arg.59k400) in 8.

Rodolfo Diaz (Arg.80k800) kayoed Juan C. Comini (Urug. 78k800) in 2.

Gate Receipts: $7,879.—(u$s 685.—)

BOXING IN PUERTO RICO
By Mario Riviera

THE RETURN MATCH BETWEEN LOCAL WELTERWEIGHT CANO HERNANDEZ AND RAY VILLALONA of Santo Domingo at Sixto Escobar Stadium turned out to be a pretty drab affair with the exception of two or three hotly contested rounds. Villalona won by the proverbial mile and scored knockdowns in the second and sixth rounds. Hernandez tired early in the bout and floundered and fell to the canvas on numerous occasions.

Hernandez weighed 151 and Villalona 150.

The semi-final in which Daniel Berrios, 131½, edged out Jaime Cruz, 131, was a humdinger. The heavily favored Berrios came through with a fast rally in the sixth and final heat to take it. The results of the four round prelims were as follows: Abraham Nieves, 128, was too strong for Rafael Figueroa, 121½. Eustaqio Gonzalez, 138½, scored easily over Puruco Santiago, 144. Jesus M. Serrano, 131, kayoed Nestor De Jesus, 130, in 2:42 of the first heat.

▶ Santo Domingo. Over 5,000 deliriously happy fans witnessed the complete route of four Puerto Rican fighters against Dominican talent at the Coliseo San Rafael in Ciudad Trujillo. In the feature ten round event welterweight Jose (Monon) Gonzalez, Puerto Rico, met defeat at the hands of Ray Villalona, Santo Domingo. Although wild at times, Villalona did not have much trouble in defeating his rival. The favored Gonzalez had scored some very impressive victories in New York prior to coming down here for this bout.

In the semi-final six round bout Dominican featherweight Lito Paret was awarded an unpopular decision over previously unbeaten Daniel Berrios of Puerto Rico. Berrios displayed his usual aggressive style and seemed entitled to a close verdict. Featherweight Chino Diaz, Santo Domingo, soundly whipped Jaime Cruz, Puerto Rico, in six.

In another six round bout lightweight Carlos T. Cruz, Santo Domingo, encountered little difficulty in outpointing Jesus M. Serrano, Puerto Rico.

Junior welterweight king Carlos Ortiz had a short vacation here in Puerto Rico prior to his Dulio Loi engagement. During his stay here it was established that Ortiz was NOT born in the town of Mayaquez but in Ponce.

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BAHAMAS BOXING NEWS

By Chris Malakius

NASSAU—Gomeo Brennan, 151, Bimini, was impressive in winning a unanimous decision over durable James "Georgia Kid" Bussey, 155, Augusta Georgia, in a ten round main event at the Nassau Stadium promoted by Douglas Carey.

In the semi-final, Sugar Boy Campbell, 136, Eleuthera, a prospect with a possible good future stopped veteran George Cliff Wilson, 137, Nassau in six; Kid Darville, 125, defeated Rocky Styles, 125, in 4; Kid Curry, 145, stopped Speedy Gonzales, 146 in 3; Kid Jones, 76, won over Battling Jay, 75.

NASSAU—Baldwin Killer Deveaux, 155, Nassau, presented a problem to veteran Battling Douglas, 143, Nassau, and was knocked out in 1:34 of the seventh round of a scheduled 10-rounder at the Nassau Stadium on April 4; Douglas, since coming back looks very good. In other bouts: Tidel Wave, 140, Nassau, and and Kid Pennerman, 138, Nassau, draw in a very dull six. Rudolph Butler, 135, won over Lighting Flash, 137, 4. Benjie Storr, 120, decisioned Sugar "Pie" Colebrooke, 116, 4. Kid Fox, 95, defeated Joe Hamilton, 98, in 3.

MARYLANDS MERRY MAULERS

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

The magic that is Sugar Ray Robinson enticed a jam packed house at the Baltimore coliseum in his tune-up bout with Tony Baldoni. This sellout bout was the first at the coliseum in about fifteen years, which only goes to prove that the Baltimore fans are hungry for real attractions. An estimated 4,500 fans were on hand with about 2,000 clamoring for admittance. Ray expected to get his timing back for his coming bout with Paul Pender later this month in his attempt to rewrest his middleweight title. The Harlem dandy never looked sharper although the bout lasted but to 1.40 of the first round with Tony being counted out by referee Benny Goldstein. A looping right hand to Baldoni's kidney in the first minute of action dropped him for a count of six and a sneaky right later spelled finis to the game Wilkes Barre lad who tried gamely to get to his feet. The bout grossed $11,986. Ray scaled 165 while Tony came in at 162.

Baltimore's Joe Salci had to survive a knockdown in the fifth round to win a six round unanimous decision over Jimmy Johnson of South Carolina in a welterweight match.

Localite Johnny Gilden posted another win by scoring a 2 round TKO over London Graham of Washington, D. C., of a sixer.

Jimmy Biggs, Washington, D. C. welter, won a six round split decision over Bobby Hurtt of Baltimore, this bout was the best of the show with the fans being treated to some lusty walloping.

Jimmy Boyd of Washington, 1956 Olympic champion, dropped a four round decision to Ray Courday of Baltimore, in a light-heavyweight scuffle.

Charley Little closed the show and also put the lights out for Allie Stokes in a middleweight bout

MINNESOTA NEWS

By Bill Colbert

BOB VAN DRAKE, WEST ST. PAUL BOXING PROMOTER is an optimistic former army officer, who directed sport activities and hopes to build West St. Paul into a thriving even if small boxing city. In his first main event Glen Flanagan faced Bobcat Terrance. Bob was a former sparring partner of Lee Savold, former St. Paul heavyweight.

▶ Ben Sternberg is the Rochester, Minnesota boxing promoter and doing real well with Duane Horsman his main attraction.

▶ The Old Guards of the Ring are having their annual get together in Jack Raleighs Place in River Falls, Wisconsin, this month, a great gathering of old timers will be there, including King Tut, Del Hanlon, Johnny Ertle, Tom Gibbons, Spike McCarthy, Jimmy Cashill and Bob and George Smolik.

▶ Duane Horsman from nearby Chatfield, Minnesota, gave professional boxing a new boost with an eight round decision over Lee Ballard, St. Paul, protege of Emmett Weller. Horsman, a local favorite, made this his seventh victory in as many professional bouts. It was a clash of interesting styles with Ballard, the clever boxer being outslugged by Horsman, the aggressor and heavy body puncher.

The scoring was ref Mert Herrick 79-77, judge Johnny McGrand 79-76 and judge Larry McClaeb, 79-78. The Minneapolis Tribune score card favored Ballard 77-75.

Other results on the card were:

John Mihm, 139, Lime Springs, Iowa, decisioned Bobby Anderson, 143, Kenyon, Minn. (4).

Kid Chocolate, 129, St. Paul, decisioned Jimmy Ferris, 130, Chicago (4).

Dick Cotten, 155, Rochester, Minn., won by TKO over Jim Tyson, 159, Chicago (1).

Jerry Mullen, 135, Brownsville, Minn., decisioned Bobby Williams, 134, Galesburg, Ill. (6).

▶ Stillwater, Minnesota, they are running boxing shows over at the Prison every couple of months under the direction of Paul Shiely recreation director.

MONTREAL

By Wallace Brown

Promoter Jacques Chevrier's first boxing show of the season was held at the Mont-St. Louis arena.

▶ In the main go scheduled for ten rounds, Bob Cleroux, 208, Montreal, flattened Richie Ruth, 199, Tulsa, Okla., after 2:28 seconds had elapsed in the first round. The popular Montreal slugger scored his 16th knockout in winning 19 out of 21 fights.

In the semi-final, Burke Emery, 170½, Sherbrooke, Quebec, warming up for his shot at the Canadian light-heavyweight title floored Bobby Devlin, 165, Tulsa, Okla., three times before referee Tony Mancini stopped the one sided fight at the 1:52 sec. mark of the fourth round.

Joey Durelle, Yvons young cousin, also from Baie St. Anne, N.B., scored an impressive kayo win over Ray Lynah, New York. The time 2:50 seconds of the first round. Durelle weighed 147, and Lynah 144.

In a six rounder, popular Claude Labonte, 145, Montreal, scored his sixth win in seven starts by stopping Danny Savarry, 141, Quebec City at the 1:45 mark of the first round.

Tom Brown, 152, Trenton, N. J., stopped Joe Johnson, 154½, Baltimore, Md., in 2:48 seconds of the fifth round.

In the opener Andre Milette, 131, Sorel, Quebec won a six round split decision over Rezean Robert, 135, Three Rivers.

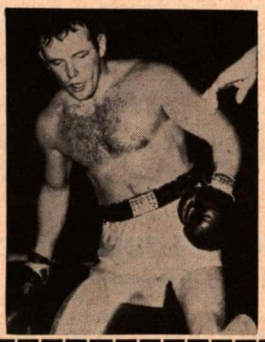
NEWS FROM TORONTO, CANADA

By Jacques Tachauer

Although this city has failed to produce one pro card during the past few months, local boys have managed to get action across the border. Three Torontonians shuffled off to Buffalo and took part in the undercard of the Jose Torres-Tony Dupas bout.

The results were: Ray McNeil, 126, Toronto, dropped a six round unanimous decision to Tony La Barbara, 131¾, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Carl Baldwin, 122, Toronto, outpointed Pat O'Reily, 120, also of Toronto, in a six rounder, to remain undefeated as a pro.

▶ Arthur King, former Canadian and British Empire Lightweight Champion, is working out occasionally at the Toronto A.C. Once known as Li'l Arthur, the tag hardly suits him now, for at the present time he goes well over 170 pounds. He has not fought since he defeated the well rated Yama Bahama on Dec. 9, 1957.



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RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

SO FAR THIS YEAR THREE AUSTRALIAN TITLE FIGHTS HAVE BEEN CONTESTED, one State title has taken place, some good fights have resulted and there have been two or three sensational endings to contests.

At Sydney Stadium, Australia's Empire welterweight champion George Barnes knocked out South African welterweight titleholder Dickie Williams in the eleventh round after dominating the fight from start to finish.

Referee Vic Patrick counted to ten. He could have counted to 100.

▶**IN PERTH,** STEVE RADULY made a successful defense of his Australian heavyweight title by knocking out Steve Zoranich in the sixth round.

▶**BUT AT THE BRISBANE FESTIVAL HALL** RADULY staked his Australian light-heavyweight title against Australian middleweight champion Clive Stewart, and left the ring a few minutes later minus his 175-pound diadem.

Stewart fought Raduly the right way to beat him: he took stock up close and pelted punches from waistband to eyebrows. Steve was counted out in the third round.

▶**AT THE MELBOURNE FESTIVAL HALL** Victorian State middleweight champion Peter Read halted Queensland State counterpart Billy Stanley in seven rounds, to maintain his unbeaten record.

That unbeaten record was spoilt when Clive Stewart defended his Australian middleweight crown against Peter Read at the Melbourne Festival Hall. Stewart stopped Read in the 12th round.

Read suffered badly cut eyes in his fight with Stewart.

▶Australian bantamweight champion Johnny Jarrett, who has to fight featherweights and lightweights in order to get fights, met West African Roy Jacobs, who weighed in at 127, at Sydney Stadium.

The fight had a sensational ending, with Vic Patrick stopping it one second before the final bell. His hand still was on Jacobs' head as the bell rang to terminate the fight.

Johnny was tiring over the last three or four heats and it was a very weary Jarrett who was grasped and thrown to the floor by Jacobs in that twelfth session.

Jarrett went down hard and Vic Patrick helped him to his feet and gave him several seconds to recover from the jar. But Johnny didn't recover and was taking it when Vic stepped in and crowned Jacobs.

After the fight Patrick stated that Jacobs had just got to the front on points. Well, Vic was in there with the fighters, but nobody else thought Jacobs hit the front at any stage.

▶Golden Boy featherweight David Floyd finally met defeat. His conqueror was Dick White, former bantam champion of Australia and now leading featherweight contender. White stopped Floyd in the ninth round at Sydney Stadium.

Floyd was worn out from the fifth round on—worn out by nervous tension. He was knocked down, but came off the floor fighting. In the eighth he took the fight to White and won the round well, but it was a dying flutter, a summoning of all his reserves banked into one desperate fling to stave off defeat.

In the ninth, Floyd's knees twice gave way—not through punishment, but through nervous tension. Vic Patrick stopped the bout and crowned White.

All credit to White who won the fight well, but David still looks like a great prospect to me, one who will go further than his victor did.

Australian lightweight champion George Bracken is Melbourne's biggest drawcard. Invariably he packs the Melbourne Festival Hall to the rafters when he fights. If he loses he still crams the Hall with fans next start. He is a popular fighter and a popular fellow.

He met one of his defeats at the Hall. His victor was Italian Aldo Pravisani, whose fleet-footed, backward-moving style is the one which always leaves George Bracken flat-footed and the loser. Points decision.

Bracken's number one contender, Queensland State champion Gary Cowburn, fought the fight of his short career when he outpointed Aldo Pravisani at the Brisbane Festival Hall. Aldo fought in his customary style, but Cowburn is faster-moving than Bracken.

▶Lightweights here are suffering from Copeland trouble. Auburn Copeland, of USA, arrived here earlier this year and opened his Australian campaign by halting Englishman Johnny Butterworth in nine rounds. Johnny's knees "went on him", but the fight probably would have been stopped in any case. Copeland was too good. That fight was held at the Melbourne Festival Hall. Three weeks later at the same arena, Copeland stopped Gary Cowburn in eleven rounds. Experience told. It was Cowburn's tenth fight and his first defeat.

▶Sydney Stadium opened its 1960 program with a bout between young Australian welter Brian Sheehan and Italian Franco Rosini. Sheehan was far superior in skill but Rosini butted many times in each round until he gained the desired affect: he split Sheehan's eye. The eye gash became so serious that the referee stopped the fight in the ninth round and crowned Rosini winner by KO.

Rosini gained a verdict because he knows how to butt effectively.

Rosini went to Perth after the fight and outpointed Ron McLaren and stopped Ellery Hatch in seven rounds. Dates were February 8 and February 22, respectively.

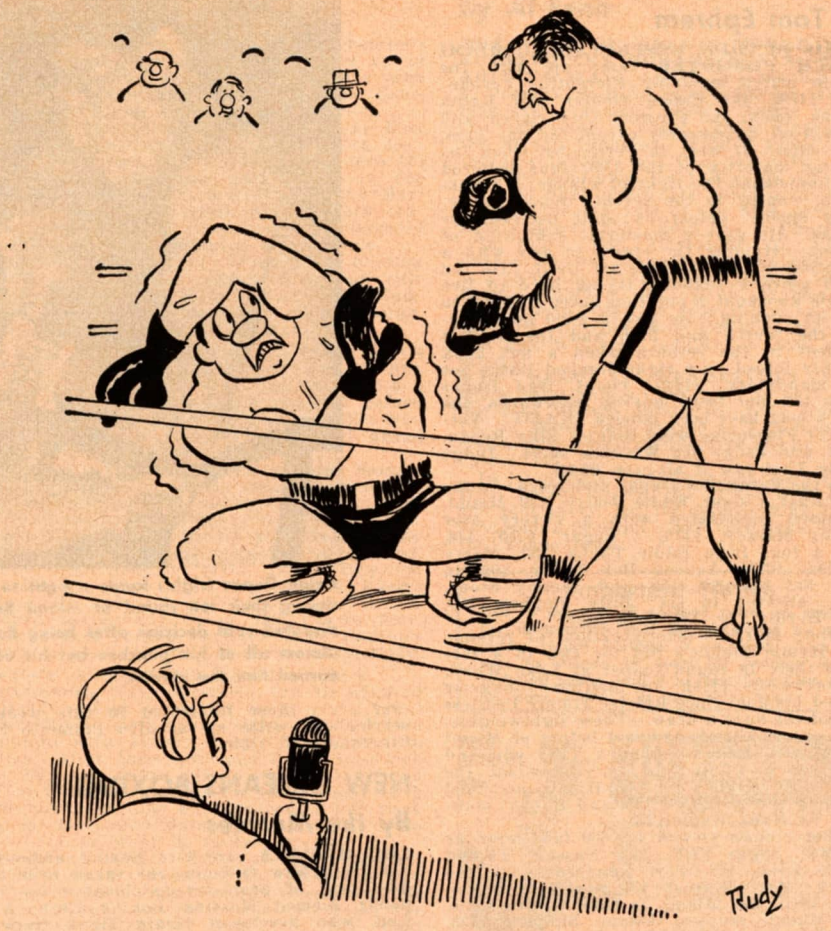
▶Middleweight Billy Stanley conceded seven pounds to George Lamtzes at Sydney Stadium, but had no trouble in disposing of Lamtzes in the fourth round. Stanley dropped Lamtzes in the first round for two counts and Lamtzes survived until the fourth by rushing in, holding and hitting. Stanley would have ended the bout earlier if he had stepped back and slammed the Greek as he came in, but Stanley didn't do that until the fourth round. Then a right felled Lamtzes for the ten.

▶Welterweights Phil Wallace and Vince Took turned on an interesting fight at Sydney Stadium. Although Took was willing, Walace held sway all the way. The fight was stopped in the seventh round, due to an eyecut suffered by Took.

▶Wallace was in action in Melbourne, when he halted Norm Jones in ten rounds. Again it was an eyecut which ended the contest, but again Wallace was too good for his opponent.

▶Brisbane Festival Hall has just completed a tournament to find a new Queensland State welterweight champion. In the first series Ken Eveans knocked out Ken Joseph in the seventh round and Johnny Tapp knocked out Peter Roeton in the second. In the second series Tapp knocked out Bud Spargo in six rounds while Eveans had a hard fight to outpoint Norm Sandy over twelve rounds.

▶In the final Johnny Tapp punched too hard for Ken Eveans, knocking him out in the fourth round.



"AND NOW GROGAN HAS GONE INTO THAT FAMILIAR CROUCH OF HIS . . .!"

▶Lightweights Les Davison and Bobby Liddle fought two bouts at the Melbourne Festival Hall. The bouts followed similar pattern, with Liddle staging a grand last round in an endeavor to pull the fight out of the fire—and almost succeeding each time. Davison won both fights on points, and by good margins, but he was hard put to stave off Liddle in the twelfth round of each fight. Their first set-to was the better and gained a shower of coins from ringsiders.

▶Norm Jones lost the first round against Fred Stanley in a middleweight contest at Sydney Stadium, but he took charge in the second and Vic Patrick stopped it with Stanley on the way out in that round. The contest was billed for twelve rounds. In an eight-rounder on the same bill, American junior welter Nu Nu Randle, who was in Sydney on a ship, fought rising Sydney fighter Graham Lightfoot. The Aussie was to good, although Randle showed courage. Patrick stopped the fight in the seventh round with Randle copping everything.

▶At Wagga light-heavies Doug Beer and John Cann tangled. Beer had too much experience, winning in the seventh round.

CANADIAN MARITIME NEWS

By Fred Bishop

THERE WERE NO PROFESSIONAL SHOWS IN THE CANADIAN MARITIMES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, but there is plenty of fistic action taking place in the popular Gerrish Street Gym as Halifax's leading fighters go through their pases, all looking forward to a very busy summer season.

▶Jimmy Greig, Jack Campbell and yours truly have banned together to form the Atlantic Boxing Club, (A.B.C.) Promotions. We intend to promote in the Halifax and Dartmouth area plus the Amherst district of Nova Scotia.

In U.S.A. Rings . . . Sydney's Blair Richardson, at 156 pounds, made his Boston debut a winning one as he scored a clean kayo over Dick Verde, 155, Boston, in one. He is being looked after by Johnny Buckley while in the States.

▶Our address, 32 Vienna St., Halifax, Nova Scotia, Can.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

CHRIS DUNDEE, BESPECTACLED MIAMI BEACH PROMOTER came up with the dream match involving Florentino Fernandez, 147¾, the Cuban clouter and Ralph Dupas, 145¾, the Crescent City classic and it paid off handsomely except for one item, the vedict. It went to Fernandez when the greater majority of the 3,081 fans believed the Louisianan the rightful winner. A knockdown, coming in the seventh round apparently spelled defeat by split decision for Dupas. He gave a masterful exhibition of boxing. Holding the crowd in awe with a scientific display he was art itself. On the other glove Fernandez, trying hard to live up his knockout reputation never stopped to find an opening. He got in good ones during the fourth and fifth and the biggest moment in the seventh when a left hook quickly joined by a right dumped Ralph for the mandatory "eight" count. Had Dupas when hit, not been moving backwards, the punch may have been labeled "KAYO". Voting for Florentino were Referee Billy Regan, 98-93, and Judge Stu Winston, 96-94. Judge Eddie Thal saw it all-even 96-96.

On the Fernandez-Dupas undercard: In the semi-final, a sixer, Eddie Beattie, 139, Miami, remained undefeated with a victory over Jimmy Mackey, 135¾. "Sugar" Cliff, 148, won a four from Eddie Tobbs, 150; Marty Kaplan, 162½, kayoed Bob Baker, 160, in two; Sal Fuentes, 159, and Sammy Stone, 165½, all-even in six; Billy Stephan, 203, beat Herbie Lee, 191, in a four.

▶ Bobby Marrie's determination for revenge and Hymie Budow's bid for two in a row made their 10 round topper at Lake Worth a worthwhile clash but neither youngster gained his goal since Referee Jimmy Peerless tabbed the fight a draw. These lightweights, both out of Miami, had met before at Miami Beach with Budow taking a TKO win and planting the first and only loss on the promising Marrie's record. Hymie, managed by Dick Lee weighted 135, and Bobby, managed by Hank Kaplan,133.

Other results viewed by 650 fans were as follows: Sugar Cliff, 147, Nassau, TKOed Howie Reed, 153, Fort Lauderdale, in the fourth. Marty Kaplan, 157, New York, halted Billy Hall, 160, Miami, in three. Dave Mills, 136, Miami, stopped Duane Simpson, 133, Miami, in round two. John Tombley, Miami, grabbed a sixer from Bobby Allan, 136, of Miami. Hector Rodriquez, 126, of Puerto Rico, and Clint Jordan, 125, Miami, traveled six to a draw.

▶ Billy De Cavitch, former Golden Glover from Youngstown, Ohio, is Hank Kaplan's newest rave. The Miami Beach fight manager is high in praise of his welterweight charge whose punching ability is said to be something to behold. De Cavitch has a fine amateur record and has won two GG titles and runner-up on another two occasions. The youngster is almost ready to turn pro. Like fellow townsman Bobby Marrie, now a Miamian, Billy is being trained by Sal Bunetta, a capable man there.

▶ Please send in all Southern boxing notes to: Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

▶ That lovable little rascal trainer, Charley Goldman, paid Miami a visit and was the guest of ex-Jacksonville boxer Dick Lee. While in the Magic City, Charley renewed acquaintances with several of the boys he trained for Al Weill, namely Al Nettlow and Cal Cagni, both now retired. Nettlow is a successful businessman down Miami way and Cagni, who trained and managed Lee in Jacksonville was on vacation at the time. Charley likewise met up with former middleweight contender Georgie Abrams, now a transplanted South Floridian.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS

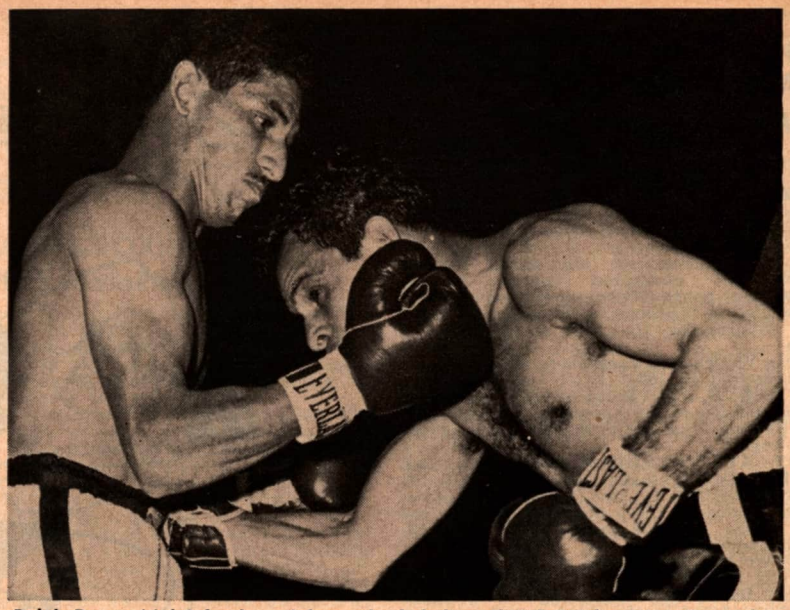
By J. Jimmie Amann

Cincinnati, many months dormant from any professional boxing will have a show at the Cincinnati Gardens as we go to press. Jimmie Brown who trained Ezzard Charles through all of his championship career is the promoter, along with a group of local sportsmen.

Brown has Nick Turner the sensational Columbus, Ohio middleweight, with Harry Budinewski in the feature bout which will be backed up by several good strong prelims.

The recent finals of the Golden Gloves held at the Gardens had almost $20,000 in the coffers which proves that live boxing is still a popular as ever.

▶ AROUND FOUNTAIN SQUARE WITH THE PUNCHERS AND THEIR PILOTS . . . Joe Basco veteran Barberton, Ohio fight manager, has been ill for the past few months and we are cheering for his speedy recovery . . . my weekly boxing letter service at ten dollars per year is going better than ever . . . those interested in this weekly service can write me at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.



Ralph Dupas (right) lands a right to the belt line of Cuba's Florentino Fernandez during their ten round at Miami Beach. The New Orleans "Cutie" dropped a disputed split decision after being floored in the seventh round. Fernandez missed almost all of his punches but his constant forcing against the retreating Dupas earned him the verdict.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING

By Ike Morales

LOU MESSINA, live-wire boxing ambassador from New Orleans, has taken over the dual post of promoter-matchmaker for his newly formed Messina Boxing Club. And Lou, who developed Henry Hank from a comparative unknown to a high ranking middleweight, hopes to produce additional prospects during 1960.

Messina's latest experiment will be with Giant View TV of Detroit, which pumps into theaters and arenas the big movies of important fights. The local promoter returned from Houston, Texas, where he was on hand for the Sonny Liston-Cleveland Williams fight.

The Liston-Williams fight was handled by Giant View, with the contest shown in several Texas towns. It proved a huge success, according to Messina. "It is the coming thing," said Lou, referring to Giant View TV. "Attractive prelims are put on before the big picture and I believe the new deal will go over big."

Messina said he will show the scheduled 10 rounder between Roy Harris and Sonny Liston, in the New Orleans Municipal Auditorium. The Harris-Liston fight is set up for Giant View TV and will be pumped into practically every Texas town where fighting is staged. The fight is expected to top $100,000 at the Houston gate.

▶ Ralph Dupas' latest TV loss was to Florentino Fernandez of Cuba in a fight staged at Miami Beach, Fla. One of the officials called the fight a draw, while the others scored it for the Cuban.

However, most of the ringsiders figured it a raw duke. And clippings from the Miami Herald revealed that two of the boxing writers—John Underwood and Edwin Pope—had Dupas an easy winner.

"I only lost 13 fights in my life," said Ralph, "and nine of them were on television and by split dukes. That's kinda tough, especially when it looks like I won most of them.

▶ Nat Fleischer's 1960 Ring Record Book and Boxing Encyclopedia, as in previous editions, is a masterpiece. It's a book every promoter, matchmaker, trainer and others interested in the sport should have handy. As far as I am concerned, it is the greatest piece of boxing work ever put together.

▶ The Southern AAU boxing championships proved a huge success. Finals were staged in St. Mary's gym in the French Quarter, and more than 1,500 enthusiasts were on hand. Dave Scheuermann, conductor of the show, deserves a big hand for the manner in which the show was held.

▶ By the time the next edition of The Ring Magazine goes to press, names of the La. State Boxing Commission members should be available. Jimmy Davis, slated to move into the Governor's Mansion in early May, will name members of the boxing group shortly after.

▶ Anyone seeking information regarding fights and fighters from New Orleans should contact Ike Morales at 1510 Gen. Pershing Street, New Orleans (15), La.

LOUISVILLE, KY BOXING NEWS

By Joe Martin

▶ Freedom Hall, Rudell Stitch, 147, mastered Randy Sandy, 156, of New York with a unanimous decision in 10 rounds despite injuring both hands in the first two rounds.

Referee Dan Leslie took the second and third rounds away from Sandy for fouling. Stitch the Louisville ranked welterweight contender, scored his decisive victory before a paid crowd of 2,202. There were no knockdowns during the 10 gruelling rounds.

During the second and eighth rounds, however, Stitch bombarded the tough Sandy with head shots. Sandy survived the barrage and came back strong.

Other results: LeRoy Emerson, 134, Louisville, scored a technical knockout over Jimmy Pettaway, 133, Detroit, when Pettaway failed to answer bell for the third round because of a cut eye. Clarence Riley, 169, Detroit, decisioned Willie Moran, 154, Louisville, in six. Terrell Pruitt, 187, Louisville, gained a unanimous decision over Alvis Perkins, 200, also of Louisville in four. Herschel Rice, 146, Louisville, and Jimmy Lane, 150, Huntington, W. Va., drew in four. Jimmy Danbury, 168, Detroit, won on a t.k.o. over Harry McKenna, 160, Louisville, 1:04 of the third round.

LAS VEGAS NOTES

By Red Greb

THROUGH SIX ROUNDS HAROLD CARTER, LINDEN, N. J., LOOKED LIKE A CINCH WINNER over Charlie Powell, San Diego, Cal. heavy. Carter could do not wrong. His jab was effective and his combination punches worked to perfection. Powell electrified the throng of 2,800 fans when he emerged from his seeming state of lethargy and tore after Carter in the seventh round. Powell set Carter up for the kill with a series of vicious left hooks to the body. A left hook to the chin dropped Carter and when he climbed off the deck Referee Scott Sneddon mercifully stopped the action when he saw glassy-eyed Harold had been subjected to enough punishment. For this scheduled ten-rounder Powell weighed 214; Carter 199.

Eddie Andrews, 160, a local favorite, romped to an easy win over Nathan Ish, 163, Salt Lake City, in a companion ten. Andrews now seeks a showdown with Neal Rivers for the Nevada State middleweight crown.

The prelims: Herman Fandel, 150, Las Vegas, duked Andy Richards, 150, Cedar City, Utah, in a sixer. Babe Ballas, 114, Las Vegas, flattened Joey Gouldonio, 111, Miami Beach, Fla., in 34 seconds.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

Colorful Chuck Taylor, Detroit lightweight, surprised Pittsburgh boxing fans when he upset previously undefeated Carmen Price in a ten rounder at McKeesport, Pa. To prove his win no fluke, Chuck returned several weeks later to knock out Bobby Speight, of Moncton, Canada, with a left hook to the jaw in the second round.

▶Wilfie Greaves is a hard trying club fighter, who has his fistic limitations, but is capable enough to spring an occasional upset against formidable opposition. Any dreams that sportsman C. W. (Larry) Smith may have had of Greaves gaining a serious position amongest the 160 pound challengers was set back when Greaves was iced in 1:33 of the 4th round by Eduardo Lausse, in New York.

▶As a last minute substitute bout, Detroiter Leroy Jeffery, 130, and veteran Ike Chestnut, 130, New York, put on an action packed bout at the Cleveland Arena.

▶Wrestling returned to the Olympia Stadium, with the ice show finally moving out, featuring the one and only Dick The Bruiser. Big, bad Dick met the people's choice Verne Gagne before 12,750 fans. Both grapplers scored a fall apiece before the sixty minute time limit expired, as result the contest was ruled a draw.

The all-star undercard featured Wilbur Snyder winning over Mitsu Arakawa, Roy and Ray Shire drawing with Dick Steinborn and Johnny Weaver in a tag team match, Raoul Ramero bested Wee Willie Davis, Gene Kiniski battered Joe Blanchard, and The Shiek and Emil Dupre battled to a draw.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

PROFESSIONAL BOXING RETURNED TO THE ARENA with a Wednesday night television show with Ike Chestnut, veteran New York featherweight winning an unanimous decision over Leroy Jeffrey of Detroit in a very hard fought ten round bout.

Jeffrey scored the only knockdown of the fight in the seventh. The bout was a last minute substitution for the scheduled bout between Mike DeJohn and Zora Folley. DeJohn twisted his right knee in his final workout and the commission ruled him out.

The fight drew a crowd of 3,224.

Tony Hughes, 197, Cleveland, decisioned Jackie Richards, 186, Detroit (6).

Ronny Cohen, 144, New Rochelle, N. Y., knocked out Robert Scott, 143, Chicago (1).

Floyd Joyner, 198, Phoenix, Ariz., knocked out Gene Jackson, 191, Cleveland (3).

Ernie Burford, 150, Cleveland, stopped Louis Staeton, 146, Cleveland (4).

Frankie Trusso, 150, Cleveland, technically kayoed Johnny Howard, 145, Cleveland (3).

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM CENTRAL OHIO
By Les Hoffman

FRED STEVESON OF SARNIA, ONTARIO is getting ready to promote some four, six, and eight round bouts, any managers with good fighters are requested to get in touch with him.

▶Walter Moore popular wrestling and fight promoter staged a pro boxing show that was well received and applauded by some 600 fans. This is the first boxing show for several years for Moore.

With a little help from managers and fighters Akron may turn out to a bi-weekly show spot, all former managers are requested to get in touch with Moore.

The card got off to a fast start and ended the same way action packed all the way. Bobby Gordon of Charleroi, Pa., stopped Harry Budniewski of Buffalo, New York, in the first heat after a good flurry of punches both middleweights.

The semi-final of eight rounds between Eddie Crawford, Akron, Ohio, and Stan Fitzgerald of Buffalo, New York, was a slugging match between two willing featherweights. Although Crawford was a little rusty due to this being his first bout in four years, he gave a very good account of himself. The decision was a draw.

In other bouts Cliff Johnson, 152, gained a spit decision over Frank Trusso of Cleveland, Ohio, in four heats.

Ted Davis of Cleveland, Ohio, lost to Abie Olds. Davis subbed for Cal Butler, also of Cleveland, who was forced out of the bout by the flu.

Because the fights were short the promoter tossed in an extra bout of four rounds between Roy Caruthers of Akron, Ohio, and Skip Jackson of Akron, which was won by Caruthers.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

RAMBLING AROUND: The Fosmire brothers of Rockaway are now fighting pros up in Boston. Bobby, a welterweight, has won three in a row, two by kayos, while Gene, a featherweight, scored a kayo in debut. . . . The two Jerseyites who fought for the East in the inter-city Golden Gloves, both lost. Bob Rutherford of Trenton, the Eastern 175 pound champion, was cold cocked in one round by Jeff Davis, but little Lloyd Marshall, 16 year old South Side Newark student, made a big hit dropping a disputed decision to Don Eddington of St. Louis. . . . New Jersey is still very much in the bidding for the Archie Moore-Erich Schoppner title fight for Jersey City's Roosevelt Stadium. The 5,000 car parking lot is the big seller.

RESULTS OF THE MONTH

▶State Gardens, Union City, Jersey City's Marcel Bizien, 136½, dropped Joey Melito, 135, of Philadelphia for a two count with a one-two in the sixth round and that gained him the verdict of Referee Paul Cavalier who had it even in rounds but Marcel ahead 5-3 on points.

In the semi-final, Unbeaten local Sammy Jordan, 169½, had some rough moments as he outslugged Don Bailey, 165, New York City, 6. Sammy now has won eight in a row. Lash Sherman, 139, Jersey City, halted Tony Camparno, 136½, Bronx, in 2:15 of the 2nd. Wild Mike Shanley, 144¼, Jersey City, reversed it against Mike Martinez, 147, Puerto Rico, 4, and Johnny Parks, 140, Bronx, edged out Johnny Colon, 138, Puerto Rico. The action packed card of Dom Bufano's drew a house of 422 for a gate of $1,059.50.

▶Park Athletic Club, Highland Park . . . Otto Smith, 152½, Westfield, ran his winning streak to four in a row with referee Paul Cavaliere's nod after eight good action rounds with Jimmy Landron, 155, Puerto Rico. After three previous bouts in which he had lost twice and fought a draw with Tom Welstead, Jersey City 140 pounder Lash Sherman tore out and crashed a left hook to the 144 pound Matawan fighter and down and out he went in twelve seconds.

Vernon LaMarr, 158¼, New Brunswick, wore down Ira Powell, 159½, Elizabeth, and stopped him in the closing seconds of the fourth round. Another last minute finish was recorded by Marty Pettiford, 160, East Orange, over Leroy Holmes, 160, Newark, in another four. In the opening bout Red Brewer, 172½, New Brunswick, and Milton Mason, 173, Cranford, struggled to a draw.

A good size paid over $1,000 at the Fairfield School in Caldwell Township to see an action-packed amateur show sponsored by the Kiwanis and the Boy Scouts. Sammy Stangis and Benny Lonix did a fine job in staging the show the first in north Essex in many years.

IDAHO HIGHLIGHTS
By Dick Eardley

LIGHTWEIGHT JIMMY GROW OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, and the Javellana Kid, Philippines welterweight champion, battled to a bristling 10-round draw in Boise. It was Grow's second appearance in a month in Boise. He had outpointed former lightweight champ Jimmy Carter previously.

The Javellana Kid, whose real name is Antonio Iioso, rallied in the last two rounds after cutting Grow on the bridge of the nose to gain the draw. Grow had dominated the earlier rounds with sharp counter-punching. Both men bled freely during the bout, Grow from the slash on his nose and the Kid from a nick over the left eye.

There were no knockdowns, but Grow was half-wrestled to the canvas in the first round. The Lewiston belter then stormed back and twice had the Kid on rubber legs, but failed to put him down. Until the Kid came on strong in the late rounds, it was Grow's fight. Grow weighed 138, the Kid 137¾.

The two judges split their votes, Henry Alegria scoring it 98-97 for the Kid, Ken Jackson seeing it 98-97 for Grow. Referee Jim Nally had it even at 98-98.

Fast-rising Boise middleweight Don Bale slammed veteran Joe Sedillo of Twin Falls at will to score a fifth round knockout in the scheduled six-round semi-windup. The Boise youngster floored Sedillo five times before the finish at 52 seconds of the fifth round.

In other preliminaries: Young Dave Lemon of Idaho Falls, 138, stopped Spud Perody of Reno, Nevada, 138, in the third round. . . . Preston Kratz, 150, Boise, KO'd Bobby Carnes, 148, Reno, in the third. . . . Gary Abel, 138, Boise, outpointed Jesse Guerra, 138, Nyssa, Oregon, in four. . . . and Blas Guerra, 123, Nyssa, drew with Willie Kee, 120, Reno, in four rounds.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

THE VISIT OF ARCHIE MOORE HIGHLIGHTED THE MONTHS BOXING DOWN ARIZONA WAY. Archie was the big draw at Phoenix Madison Square Garden, and the fans saw a rousing show. Archie refereed the main event in which Junior Washington, 188, of San Francisco, stopped Eddie Ponce, 184, Los Angeles, in 1:18 of the third.

In the semi-final, Oney Minguis, 125, made his first fight before his home town fans a TKO victory in 1:33 of the fifth over Irish Jackie Mercer, 135. Both live in Phoenix.

In fours, Bob Artherton, 137, Phoenix Golden Glover, stopped Ray Coleman, 130, in 2:19 of the third; Danny Garcia, 188, San Diego, knocked out Gene Walker, 190, Youngstown, Ohio, in 2:58 of the first; and Leonard (Butcher Boy) Coleman, 165, Koed LaVerne Williams (again), in 1:33 of the third.

▶**IN MESA AT RENDEZVOUS PARK,** where the Chicago Cubs train as part of the National Sports Jamboree, Luis Gorduno, 145, of Mesa, slam-banged to a 10-round decision over former lightweight champ Jimmy Carter, 145.

In 4-rounders, Bob Artherton, 139, stopped Irish Jackie Mercer, 135, in the first round, and Bob Avery, 192, the good looking Tucson boy, won a decision over Tiger Gene Walker, 188, Youngstown.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

IT WAS called a 6th round "technical draw"—the fight between Juan Ramirez, 125, Mexico, and Don Johnson, 123, Los Angeles, at the Olympic Auditorium. That was because Ramirez allegedly butted Johnson midway in the 5th round.

From here on, confusion reigned. Referee Russ Bradford had called in club medico Dr. Jack Useem at the end of the 5th to inspect the damage. The doctor ruled that Johnson was able to continue. Midway in the 6th, the cut was reopened, and this time the referee stopped the fight.

At the time hostilities were halted, Ramirez was ahead on all three official cards: Referee Bradford, 48-46; Judge Tommy Hart, 48-46, and Judge Mushy Callahan, 47-45. Johnson, though in arrears on points, scored the only knockdown of the melee just before the gong ended Round 2.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Billy Collins, 147, Detroit Irishman, had things all his own way against Rafael Gutierrez, 146½, battered him from pillar to post, and was credited with a TKO in 2:45, Round 1.

The fours: Jose Vadivia, 130, dec. Mauricio Morales, 132; Pepino Morales, 125, dec. Beto Maldonado, 126; and Art Ennis, 124½, dec. Gino Hernandez, 129½.

▶ Incidentally, press-agent Don Fraser, of the Olympic, claimed a foul against The Ring Record Book, 1960 edition, on behalf of Juan Ramirez. The book shows Juanito was knocked out three times in 1959. Frazer, quoting Ramirez, says this is a grievous typo; that Ramirez was knocked out only once.

▶ Rocky Marciano—surely you remember him!—was in town to play a bit piece in "College Confidential". A deputy sheriff, no less. Then he went on Groucho Marx's program; you'll see him shortly thereon. That was taped.

▶ George Parnassus, Olympic matchmaker, was at the ringside in Mexico City when Alfredo Urbina scored a 9th round TKO over popular Mauro Vazquez before a capacity crowd of 18,000. A sensational scrap; Vazquez suffered a gashed left eye in the 8th, and tht referee halted hostilities in the 9th.

Both Urbina and Vasquez are well-known in Southern California. Both fought Jimmy Hornsby, Suey Welch's lightweight. Urbina boxed a draw with Hornsby, and Vazquez won a tight-fit decision over him.

▶ Welter champ Don Jordan, who lost a lot of prestige when he was flattened by Frederico Thompson down below the equator, was roundly criticized by some of the scribes because he severed relations with Trainer Eddie Futch. No reasons specified.

How times change! Just after Jordan jolted Virgil Akins off the throne, December 5, 1958, he gushed effusively to scribes in his dressing room: "I owe it all to Eddie; he told me how to beat Gasper Ortega and I did, and he showed me how to take Akins."

▶ Irish Eddie Andrews, 163, who now makes his home in Las Vegas, won the unanimous decision over Cal Houston, 162, at the Olympic Auditorium. It was locally televised. All three officials voted for Andrews, thusly:

Referee Jimmy Wilson, 98-88; Judge Dick Young, 98-91, and Judge Frankie Van, 97-93. No room for argument here.

It was fairly even for five rounds; then Andrews took charge, and held sway to the finish.

In the semi-final, slated for six, Julio Romero, Puerto Rico, 145½, TKO (3) over Art Sedillo, 146.

The fours: Bob Smith, 189, dec. Jerry Simmering, 187; Frank Bradbury, 144½, KO (1) over Chito Garcia, 146; and Billy Smith, 157, dec. Lou Dodrill, 160.

▶ Folks in L.A. and vicinity were utterly flabbergasted by the news of Davey Moore's kayo at the hands of Carlos Hernandez, down in Caracas, Venezuela—with a busted jaw, yet.

Looks like the U.S.A. is suffering loss of prestige in the ring as well as in diplomacy.

First, there was Ingo the Stingo, from Sweden. Then there was Frederico Thompson, born in Panama, now an Argentino, who wrecked Don Jordan. Then this bloke Hernandez comes along and breaks Davey's jaw. And over in Manila, my old stamping ground, Flash Elorde knocks out Harold Gomes to win the junior lightweight title.

▶ From San Antonio comes the news that little Ward Yee, Chinese boy from Pasadena, who was expected to be a soft touch for bantamweight champion Joe Becerra, turned into a Tartar—though he lost the decision to the champ.

▶ Willie Ketchum, manager of Davey Moore, told Los Angeles scribes that Davey Moore's cracked jaw was caused by an impacted wisdom tooth, and not a super-duper wallop landed by Carlos Hernandez down yonder in Caracas.

Moreover, he advised John Hall of the Mirror-News that Davey was down three times, not eight, as reported by a wire service. And it was the pain from the jaw, not the force of a punch, which downed Davey the last two times.

Moore returned to his home in Springfield, Ohio, there to undergo surgery on his wisdom tooth. After that, a two-month lay-off.

"We'll have to defend the title soon after that," Willie added. "Probably against Flash Elorde, the Filipino, either in Los Angeles or Manila."

▶ The April, 1960, edition of Reader's Digest features a blast at the ring, authored by one James Stewart-Gordon, and titled "Abolish Professional Boxing". Well, Mr. Stewart-hyphen-Gordon is entitled to his opinion, no matter how cock-eyed it is.

But much better writers than Stewart-hyphen-Gordon have defended boxing: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle; Ernest Hemingway; Nat Fleischer; Damon Runyon; Bill Corum; Grantland Rice—all these and hundreds more.

And because writers like Edgar Allan Poe; Lord Byron; James De Quincey; Montaigne; Oscar Wilde and a lot more were guilty of assorted offenses against morality, should not the Reader's Digest publish a story entitled: "Abolish Professional Writers?" For Poe was a dipsomaniac; Byron was guilty of incest; De Quincey was a hop-head; Montaigne maintained a mistress next door to the house wherein resided his wife and children; Wilde's "Ballad of Reading Gaol" was written while in the hoozegow doing time for sodomy—Editor Chapin murdered his wife; O. Henry served a stretch for forgery, and I could go on and on if I had the time and space.

▶ Vince Delgado, 126½, decisioned Noel Humphreys, 127, in a ten-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium.

It was not a sensational fight. The voting: Referee Frankie Van, 98-94; Judge John Thomas, the same; Judge Charley Randolph, 98-93—all for Delgado.

Bobby Brown, 146, decisioned over Frankie Ramirez, 143½, in the six-round semi-final. The fours: Dick McDowell, 176, decisioned Jimmy Patterson, 187; Al Grant, 144½, drew with Andy Martinez, 149; and Jose Rodriguez, 134, drew with Jose Valdives, 132½.

▶ Bill Fugazy, representing Feature Sports, Inc., blew into town to discuss the possibility of staging the Archie Moore-Erich Schoeppner light-heavy title match in L.A. And (if coming) an Archie Moore-Ingo Johansson or Floyd Patterson fight, later.

Mentioned as co-promoters were localites Ron Waller, the former football star, and Jimmy McLarnin, former world champion.

Ron Waller, one of the co-promotorial candidates, is already licensed as a promoter, and Jimmy McLarnin, the other, would probably be granted a license if he applied.

Danny Valdez, local boy, 125, won a split 10-round decision over Juan Ramirez, 125½, in a thriller at the Olympic Auditorium. The scoring attests to the tight-fit verdict.

Referee George Latka, 94-93; Judge Jack McDonald, 97-94; both for Valdez. Judge Lee Grossman, 95-95.

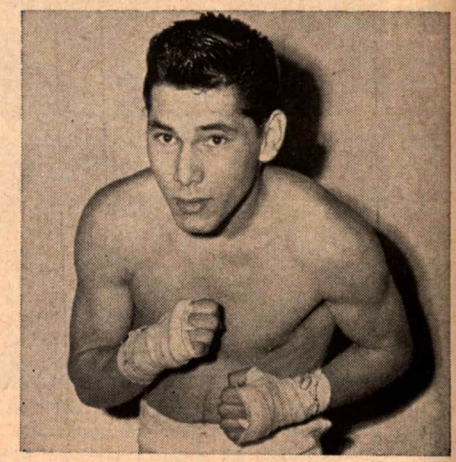
Ramirez got off in front, but midway in the fracas Valdez got the range and nearly floored his man in the 7th with the best punch of the night. The crowd, estimated at over 2,000, cheered the fighters but the verdict got a mixed reception.

Looks like a rematch.

In the six-round semi-final, Pepino Morales, 122, decisioned Oney Minguez, 120½. Minguez had an edge going into the last round, but Pepino came like a locomotive in the final heat.

The fours: Chino Jimenez, 135½, decisioned Dick Kirby, 135½; Frank Bradbury, 145½, decisioned Freddy Young, 146; and Manuel Rios, 144½, KO (1) over Joey Hicks, 149½.

▶ There's a hassle, minor grade, between some of our local (L.A.) scribes. Morton Moss, EXAMINER, claims to be the originator and copyright owner of a 5-point system of scoring. John Hall, MIRROR NEWS, keeps referring to it as the Smith system, in honor of Jamie Smith, one of our commissioners.



Los Angeles' favorite Vince Delgado, returned to action after a long layoff by whipping Noel Humphreys in ten rounds. Vince was regarded as a bright comer, then for five years he had tough sledding. He may be back on the right track now.

In his rebuttal, Moss had this to say: "A couple of characters have lately sullied newsprint and air by calling it the Smith System. This is a feat of piracy that would have brought a blush to Captain Kidd's cheek."

T'sk, t'sk, tsk. Gentlemen!

▶ Some old-time favorites,—L.A. favorites, that is—are planning comebacks: Cisco Andrade, Willie Vaughn, Jose Cotero and Alfredo Escobar. So says John Hall, Mirror-News.

Which impels the remark, "One or two of these lads 'should of stood in bed'". I hope all of them make gool, but I hae me doots.

▶ My good friend Johnny McDonald of the San Diego UNION covered the Alex Miteff-Monroe Ratliff fight down in Tijuana, Mayheeco. Miteff, 203, scored a 4th round kayo over Ratliff, 190.

On hand, some 7,000—a good turnout for the Mexican city. It was a Police benefit. This was Miteff's 21st win in 26 pro starts, his 12th knockout.

The victory was more impressive than appears on the surface, for Ratliff holds a 6th round kayo over Ruben Vargas, at one time held the California light-heavyweight title, and looked good as spar-mate for Roy (Cut 'n Shoot) Harris when that lad was training for his title fight with Floyd Patterson, in '58.

In the 10-round semi, Pajaro Gonzalez, 120, Tijuana, decisioned Abe Villa, 118, L.A.

▶ Charley Powell, 214, had one of his good nights in Las Vegas when he scored a 7th round kayo over Harold Carter, 199½, at one time a prominent contender for the world heavyweight crown. A left to the midriff, followed by a hard right to the jaw, led to Carter's downfal.

▶ Art Aragon, the Golden Guy, now a life insurance salesman, had some alimony troubles. He also owes Uncle Sam some tax dough.

▶ TV distributor Mel Evidon has filed suit for $200,000 against Cal and Aileen Eaton, promoters of the record-breaking championship card at the L.A. Coliseum between Jose Beccera-Alphonse Halimi, and Carlos Ortiz-Battling Torres, which grossed $383,000.

Evidon claims he had been given exclusive rights for TV, but alleges he later discovered that some of the rights had been given to Jose Becerra.

(Well, lawyers gotta live, too.)

▶ John Smith is a name you'll find on many hotel and motel registers; it is also the name of the "outstanding amateur of 1959", so voted by Southern Cal. boxing writers.

Still further, it is the name of the lad who scored his tenth straight pro triumph at the Olympic Auditorium by scoring a 5th round kayo over former state light-heavy

champ Billy Hester. Smith, 154; Hester, 160.

It was Smith's 11th win in 14 pro fights; his 9th knockout. This was his first main event, and he made it a memorable one. Hester has a 19-4-2 record, and one of his victims, down in Australia, was Ramon Fuentes. That was in '57.

This fight was locally televised.

Irish Billy Collins, 146½, decisioned Al Grant, 144, in the six-round semi. The fours: Tommy Noel, 124½, decisioned Gino Hernandez, 124; Jerry Simmering, 200, decisioned Terry Horrel, 203, and Julius Shanks, 160, decisioned Hardy Fox, 162.

▶He was 2-1 underdog in the wagering, but that didn't stop southpaw Alfredo Cota, 148½, from scoring a decisive 10-round victory over Reybon Stubbs, 151¼, at the Olympic Auditorium. No TV on this one.

Cota was substituting for Dave Cervantes on three-day notice. Obviously, his southpaw stance bothered Stubbs. But even more bothersome were his smashing wallops in the 8th and 9th rounds.

There was only one official for this one: Lee Grossman, a capable arbiter, and his score of 97-94 met with general approval. The Commission has authorized the Olympic to use only one official whenever the gate is less than $4,000. This was one of those times.

There was quite an upset in the semi, slated for six: Emilio Flores, 130, stopped hitherto undefeated Eddie Rand, 127, in the 3rd. The four-rounders: Joe Rodriguez, 134, decisioned Joey Clements, 134½; Seeman Glass, 197, decisioned Al Cummings, 178; and Walt Varez, 147, decisioned Johnny Rabon, 142½.

▶From Bob Hunter's column, in the L. A. EXAMINER: the following information:

"Sgt. Sammy Baker is in the merchant marine; Clyde Hull is an elevator operator; Johnny Sudenberg owns a Costa Mesa ranch; Ted Frenchie is a foreman at Outer Harbor company; Chicago Jimmy Kelly a security guard; Sailor Ashmore a foreman for Matson Navigation; Willie Nelson is in the shipyards, as are Frenchie Wolgast, Perry Thompson and Tony Martinez; Babe Aguirre is in a Torrance lumber yard; others working around the San Pedro Harbor area are Pico Ramies, Tivio Lomeli, Les Kennedy, Paul De Hate, Buster Brown, Pete Sarmiento, Victor Ponce, young Pancho Villa, Georgie Rivers, Jack Sparr, Young Chaney and Sailor McCloskey."

End of quote.

▶From San Francisco comes the item that Carlos Ortiz will defend his junior welter title against Duillio Loi of Italy in the Cow Palace, 15 rounds, on June 1. There are a large number of fight fans of Italian descent in the Golden Gate area, and they turn out in hordes for good scrappers of that ancestry.

Ortiz was last seen in California on Feb. 4th, when he stopped Battling Torres of Mexico in the 9th at the Coliseum, Los Angeles.

▶Sam Balter, HERALD EXPRESS columnist, comes up with an interesting profile of Sonny Liston, whom he terms "Next Heavy Champion".

Well, I dunno, Sam; in order to become a champ, one must get a title match, and this is much, much easier said than done.

Balter opines that Lou Viscusi, manager of Roy (Cut 'n Shoot) Harris, did his fighter a "terrible disservice in matching him against Liston, who (continues Balter) is probably the best heavyweight extant (NOT excluding the Swede with the Toonderbolt.)" Unquote.

To bolster his views, Balter cites some well-known authorities Rocky Marciano and Joe Louis.

Rocky Marciano: "His left jab is the best of any fighter's I've seen since Joe Louis. Running into it is like running into a trailer truck."

Joe Louis: "I've never seen anybody hit like he (Liston) does. That left could knock a safe apart. And if he ever really lays that right on you, goodbye!"

Sam winds up his column with the recommendation that Liston be matched with the winner of the Johansson-Patterson fight, and he goes on to predict that if said winner should be Johansson, Liston would bring back the crown to the United States.

▶Sid Ziff, sports ed. of the MIRROR NEWS, scorches the California Athletic Commission for permitting the Olympic Auditorium to stage a fight with only one official: a referee. It meant a saving of $25 to the Club when Referee Lee Grossman recently worked the entire show for $40.

Says Ziff: "I cannot find reason to extend such unusual sympathy to the Olympic which just this February 4th drew $383,000 in the Coliseum with just one show."

▶Doug Vaillant, stablemate of Luis Rodriguez, 138, defeated George Berry, 138, at the Olympic Auditorium in a locally televised fight, but failed to set the river afire, though he won decisively.

Referee John Thomas, despite two knockdowns scored by Vaillant, scored it 95-94. However, Judge George Lataka voted 97-90, and Judge Charley Randolph, 99-91, which made it unanimous verdict.

Local TV kept the "crowd" down: Morton Moss of the examiner said to a "few hundred"; John Hall, Mirror-News, called it a "tiny ringside audience". George Main, Herald-Express, and John de la Vega, Times, charitably omitted any reference to the attendance.

In the semi, slated for six, Ray Salazar, 127, stopped Melchor Contreras, 126½, in the third. The four-rounders: Beto Maldonado, 127, decisioned Solly Klein, 130; Roy Simon, 150, "technical" decision over Angel Soto, 159; and Frank Bradbury, 145 KO (1) over Floyd Mayfield, 146½.

▶Sorry, friends: unable to get a Sacramento newspaper containing the details of the Zora Folley-Clarence Williams fight. However, it wasn't such as to accelerate your blood pressure, according to the A.P.

Folley, 198, decisioned Williams, 200, in ten rounds.

Williams had three fights in '59. He was stopped by Eddie Machen in the 9th; dropped a 10-round duke to Duke Sabedong, but—hooray!—won a 10-round decision over Joe Sullivan, whose chief claim to fame seems to be the name he bears.

▶At the Oakland Auditorium, Johnny Gonsalves duplicated an earlier decision over Bobby Scanlon, a split verdict. The turnout: 2,850 fans, receipts $9,527. Gonsalves, according to the ballyhoo, was hypnotized: he was scheduled to be a rip-snorting club-fighter after this psychiatric treatment. It didn't work. The fight wasn't near as interesting as their first meeting.

Gonsalves, 135½; Scanlon, 136¼. The vote: Referee Matt Zidich, 98-95, Gonsalves; Judge Jack Silver, 98-93, also for Gonsalves. Judge Elmer Costa, 98-97, Scanlon.

In the semi-final, George Page, Auburn, 135, drew with Howard Pasley, San Francisco, 136½.

Results of four-rounders not received.

▶Southern California ring officials have worked out a new pay scale, according to Sid Ziff, sports ed. of the Mirror-News—a sliding scale based on the size of the gate receipts. Roughly, here it is: Gates from $3,000 to $4,000: referee $40; $25 for prelim ref. and $20 for the judge. But it gets interesting as the gates increase.

From $20,000 to $30,000—$175 for main; $75 prelim ref. and $75 for judges. $40,000 to $50,000: $300 for main; $100 for prelim referee, $125 for judges. $100,000 to $150,000: $600, main event ref.; $125, prelim ref; $200 each for judges. $150,000 up: $750 for main; $200 for prelims; $250 for each judge.

Bud Furillo, Herald-Express columnist, wants to see more fights in our fancy new Sports Arena, where the Democratic Convention will take place this summer. He quotes George Parnassus, Olympic matchmaker, as complaining about the rental: 10 per cent of the gross, says George, is much too much when you take into consideration that good matches generally cost 60 percent or more.

I agree with George. But Abe Saperstein of the Harlem Globetrotters had even more right to complain: he was charged 20 percent of the gross, plus a few extra expenses, for his last appearance at the Sports Arena.

"The Coliseum Commission", Furillo points out, 'is missing a chance to score a lot more revenue by encouraging boxing in the Arena."

The Olympic Auditorium, where Parnassus officiates, had its first show on August 5, 1925. That was 35 years ago, hence the Olympic isn't getting younger as the years roll by. (Well, who is?)

Luis Rodriguez, the Flying Clipper from Cuba, made his California debut at the Olympic Auditorium an impressive one by sending Alvaro Gutierrez, Mexico, to the showers in round 4. It wasn't a clean kayo; Luis opened a slight gash over Alvaro's left eye in the first round, and kept enlarging it until it was a deep and sinister gash. Dr. Robert Rocke, club medic, refused to let Gutierrez come out for the 5th.

On hand, a goodly crowd, announced as 9,000 or thereabouts, with a gross gate of $29,240. No TV. Rodriguez, 146½; Gutierrez, 147¾.

Rodriguez didn't quite live up to his advance notices,—he was favored at 5-1—and had a solid lead on all three official scorecards, but he'd be welcomed back against a more suitable opponent.

The scoring at the end of round 4: Referee Charley Randolph, 40-35; Judge Tommy Hart, same score; and Judge Dick Young, 40-36. All for Rodriguez, of course.

Sid Ziff, sports ed. of the Mirror-News, was miffed, somewhat more than slightly, when he tried to get the opinion of Dr. Rocke, the club physician. Seems that the California Commission has ordered medical examiners not to comment; to refer all inquiries to the boxing board **"which will probably call a meeting and come up with the answers a couple of months later"**, said Ziff.

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the first and fifth rounds and in the sixth he sent Logart backing into the ropes with a one-two combination, but these were his only noticeable acts of aggression. West Indians also did all right for themselves in a pair of sixes. Tony Santana, 135¾, Puerto Rico, outpointed the veteran Al Tisi, 132¼, Bronx, in the semi-final, and Wilfredo Avellez, 185¼, Cuba, did a quick job on Johnny Byrd, 180¾, Meriden, Conn. The affair was over at 0:49 of the first. In fours, Jimmy Dorsey, 145½, West Side, decisioned Fred Gross, 144½, Paterson, N. J., and Izzy Gonzales, 144½, Puerto Rico, was the only Latin-American loser of the night. He was beaten by Joe Kelley, 149, Long Island City. The non-TV'd card attracted 1,109 customers and gross receipts of $2,335.30.

THESE AND THOSE

It's been quite a spell since an alien visitor registered so emphatically with the old-timers as did welterweight Federico Thompson in his exciting draw with Benny Paret in Madison Square Garden. In these days of free-swinging "club fighters" it was a real treat to see a skilled mechanic in action. Thompson, a transplanted Panamanian now operating out of the Argentine, has learned his trade and learned it well. He wastes no effort and makes every move count. On the defense he picks off his opponent's swings with his arms or slips them with his head. On the offense, both at long range and in the infighting, his punches are short, direct and convincing—and he has a wide assortment of them. Only a Paret, young, strong, exceptionally rugged and loaded with "guts", could have survived the punishment Thompson dealt in the Garden sizzler. We'd like to know the gent who informed Champion Don Jordan on his jaunt to Buenos Aires last winter that Thompson "couldn't punch"! Whoever he was, he certainly was no well-wisher of Jordan's.

That was quite a "new talent" double windup staged in Tampa the other week—Vince Martinez vs. Clem Florio and Tony Masciarelli vs. Johnny Lombardo. The combined ages of the quartet totalled about 130 years. They picked the wrong coast of Florida for their outing. They should have headed eastward across the state to St. Augustine and Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth.

In our note on ailing Barney Adair a few paragraphs ago, we neglected to mention that he'd appreciate hearing occasionally from those who knew him when. Barney's address is 105 Post Avenue, New York City.

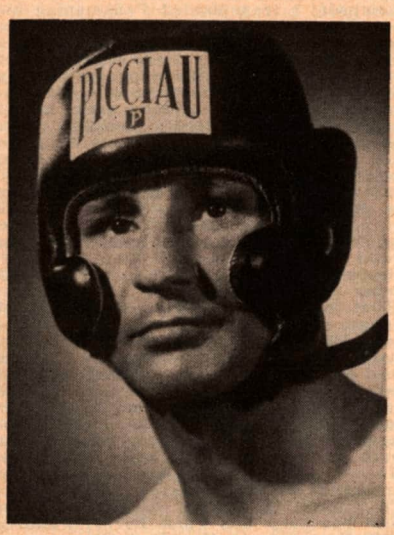
ADDENDA . . . It was no startling surprise to New Yorkers when Bartolo Soni wrecked the '(sensational" streak of Lamar Clark by tossing a dose of his own medicine into the well-publicized Utahan, who had been credited with 44 straight wins, the last 43 by knockouts . . . The prediction here was that Clark would have to win quickly if he was to win at all, and there was considerable doubt that he could do it. Soni is no champion, and his ring technique is about as crude as you'll find anywhere, but the Dominican, who had done all his previous fighting in New York, had demonstrated toughness, durability and plenty of intestinal fortitude . . . If that Ogden episode settled down to a matter of endurance, Soni figured to win, and that's just what happened. Clark, who had been accustomed to belting over stiffs in a round or two, didn't have the stamina or experience for the full ten-round route . . . Whether or not the Utahan will profit from that bitter lesson remains to be seen. We've yet to see a fighter built up on a steady diet of popovers. The only way he can develop properly is by meeting legitimate opposition. Despite his defeat by Soni, Lamar displayed some promising traits, and with the right sort of tutoring and managing he may yet become a good fighter.

Vince Forgione, who died recently at the age of 54 in his native Philadelphia, was a rugged and busy welterweight and middleweight during the late '20s and early '30s. His knockout wins included two over Laddie Lee and another over Doc Conrad, and he was tough enough to step along with the likes of Mickey Walker, Gorilla Jones, Lew Tendler, Joe Anderson, Abie Bain and George Courtney. His decline began when Joe Zelinsky knocked him out in 1931, and he faded from the scene after Vince Dundee stopped him the following year. Since quitting the ring, Forgione had operated a successful flower shop in Philadelphia.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

GUSTAV SCHOLZ established himself as Europe's top lightheavy as well as middleweight leader when he decisively outpointed South Africa's rugged Mike Holt. It is incredible that the Berliner has not yet been given a shot at the World Middles Title. There is no doubt that Scholz would have a fifty-fifty chance against Paul Pender. British fighters made a dent in the Continental line-up by collecting two European titles during the month, Charnley and Dick Richardson proving superior to their respective foes, Vecchiatto and Kalbfell. It seems unlikely that any Continentals will be able to dislodge the Britishers for some time to come. There were several surprises during March, not least the crushing kayo defeat inflicted on Sante Amonti by his challenger, Giulio Rinaldi, a tough, hard-hitting hombre who gave Johnny Halafihi a regular slugging duel recently. Franz Szuzina, dour Bremen middleweight, is back in Europe after a lengthy American tour; he is claiming a shot at the European title.



Italian Piero Rollo, former holder of the European bantamweight crown, who continued his good work on his comeback towards another fight with Freddie Gilroy by scoring three victories during the past month.

▶ **Berlin, Germany.** The 15,000 spectators at the Deutschlandhalle had the gratification of seeing Mike Holt walk over to Scholz and raised his arm in token of victory after a clean but unspectacular fight. Holt was some ten pounds the heavier and had slight advantages in height and reach. It was a rather cagey Scholz who sounded his man out in the first three or four rounds. An accidental butt opened a cut on his cheekbone in the first round and the Springbok succeeded in landing a few hefty right-handers. But for every punch landed, Holt caught two in return and Scholz got down to the task of chopping the Dominion fighter with his powerful left hooks to head and body.

Mike took a hammering in the eighth but kept his feet and stormed in wildly during the ninth in an effort to land a finisher. He repeatedly bulled the lighter man against the ropes but got the worst of the in-fighting that followed. Ice-cold strategy won the fight for Scholz against a bigger and heavier man.

Peter Mueller, 159, won clearly over Jerome Adje, Frenchman, in a hard eight-rounder marred by repeated holding. Mueller was warned during the sixth for biting his adversary's shoulder. Conny Rudhoff, 134, was too clever to run into one of Fernand Morin's surprise punches and won clearly over eight rounds while Dieter Wemhoener, 171, outfought tough Leen Jansen of Holland in another hard bout. Rene Brunet, 141, second-rate Frenchman, gave a boxing lesson and six pounds in weight to ex-amateur star Manfred Graus, who obtained a draw only by virtue of his constant aggressiveness.

▶ **Cagliari, Italy.**—Piero Rollo retained his high rating by outscoring the Nigerian bantam, Dennis Adjee, in a fast-moving ten at the Amsicora Stadium. Paolo Melis made a successful debut in the middles division by decisioning tough Gino Rossi over eight rounds while Fortunato Manca gained a draw against that very smart operator, Johnny Melfah, in a welter ten. Manca had injured his left optic in training and was ill-advised to accept the bout. Giuseppe Gaviano, promising flyweight comer, stopped Lombardozzi in the opening round.

▶ **Marseilles, France.** Pierre Vetroff avenged a previous defeat when he notched the verdict over Robert Tartari, who, like a poor man's Carmen Basilio, as usual finished the fight with his face a gory mess.

▶ **In Tunis,** Guizani Rezgui won clearly over Germano Cavalieri of Italy and in another lightie ten, Fernand Nollet whipped that game stayer, Edouard Ptak.

▶ **Paris.** In his second appearance at the new Sports Palace, Mario Vecchiatto was again successful, this time defeating Epiphane Akono of Senegal in a gruelling ten round slam which had both parties exhausted by the final gong. The Italian had already scored a close win over Akono but on this occasion had to work even harder to win the nod. Claude Saluden beat Jules Lambour and Duvilliers knocked out Boukari in six, both welter bouts, and Jean Schiller outfought muscular Andre Wyns of Belgium in a heavyweight six. The recent surprise win scored by Nelis Oostrum at the expense of Wladis Kopec was nullified by the Dutchman's defeat at the hands of the Black Ace, Michel Diouf, who stopped Oostrum in six. Jo N'Gan outfought Michel Gonzalez in a middles eight.

▶ **Bologna, Italy.**—Ray Nobile successfully defended his brand-new feather title by stopping the Venetian, Sergio Milan, with a cut eye at the end of the eighth round. Nobile was way ahead on points. Remo Carati knocked out the erratic Swiss middle, Ausel Schweitzer, in four.

▶ **Geneva, Switzerland.** Topping an amateur card, Mario Pallavera of Italy, battered his way throgh the repeated irregularities of Fernand Morin to outscore the French lightie in a lively ten-rounder.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain.** Bobby Ros returned to action here with a victory over the Moroccan lightie, Moktar Angheri, over eight ronds while Jose Navarro Paredes iced Toni Gutierrez in the third heat of a welter clash.

▶ **Madrid.** Antonio Diaz regained his winning ways after several setbacks by outpointing local bantam flash, Santos Seoane, over eight rounds.

▶ **Helsinki, Finland.** Bad luck runs in threes, they say. After the defeats suffered recently by Luukkonen and Koski, it was the turn of a third Finn to eat crow when Pekka Kokkonen was unwisely pitted against Robert Duquesne. Why Kokkonen shold have to tackle fully-fledged heavies like Duquesne is incomprehensible. The towering Frenchman charged right in from the first gong and hammered away at Kokkonen with both hands. The Finn took cover but suffered a severe cut over his left eye. The cut got worse during the second round as Duquesne kept up his barrage of punches and the ref was obliged to step in and acknowledge the lanky Robert as winner. Risto Lukkonen won over the Austrian bantam, Gerhard Topf, in ten rounds and Pentti Rautianen halted Alois Maxa in the third round of a lightie slam. Joschi Windbichler rescued the Austrian colors by putting the skids under Orma Laaksonen in the sixth heat of a welter duel.

▶ **Madrid, Spain.** Luis Folledo made it 43 bouts without defeat when he bested Jose Ungidos over twelve rounds to capture the national welter title. The contest headlined a bill at the new Sports Palace, where 14,000 spectators watched a first-class program in hyper-modern surroundings. Folledo was at his brilliant best but most of the applause went to gallant Ungidos, who was on the brink of a knockout defeat on at least four occasions. Another welter with crowd appeal, Diego Infantes, was at his worst against Assane Fakyh of Lebanon and was very lucky to obtain a draw against his smart foe. Infantes has lost but two verdicts in 38 starts and also counts a decision over Ungidos. Chato Ramos won over Frank Garcia in a lightweight eight and Paulino Cobos nodded Ricardo Navarro in a feathers eight.

▶ **Ghent, Belgium.** Continuing his run of successes in Belgian rings, Dutchman Harko Kokmeyer took on young Willy Carmelliet and defeated the local middles prospect over ten rounds. Team-mate Sugar Ray was less fortunate, being declared loser against Bob Roger in a feathers ten while Aime Devisch stopped Curleyko in the fifth heat of a lightie dispute.

▶ **Ravensburg, Germany.** The irrepressible Willi Knoerzer successfully extended his promotorial activities yet further afield when he opened up in this Swabian city for the first time. Herr Knoerzer runs a radio and video concern in Stuttgart, for him promoting is just a hobby, but to him goes the credit for establishing boxing in many outlying areas of Germany. A crowd of 4,000 made a financial success of the Ravensburg program, which featured Ulli Ritter and Jimmy Slade in the main spot. The American was two stones lighter than Ritter and spent most of the eight rounds tying up his opponent's arms. Ritter won this monotonous maul via the points route. Charley Douglas, 135, checked Karl Wagner, 145, in round six with a badly cut eye while Conny Rudhof, 135, stopped Si Mohamed of Algeria in seven, thus repeating a previous decision. Jimmy King, the veteran middles ace, was able to gain a hard-fought draw with Emil Koch over six rounds and Gerhard Zech, 207, won over Bobby Warmbrunn in six. Edgar Basel earned more than a draw against Christian Marchand of France in a fast bantam six.

▶ **Pavia, Italy.** Without being exactly brilliant, Giordano Campari made further progress in the lightweight ranks by bulldozing a victory over nifty Nedo Stampi in a hard ten at the Sports Palace. Stampi took two counts in the first round.

▶ **At Ravenna,** local welter prospect Vittorio Mancini outscored Ahmed ben Hamida in ten rounds.

▶ **Perpignan, France.** That very busy French lightweight Jean Biosca, who generally fights in Spain, nipped over the frontier to dispose of José Carrerach in eight rounds.

▶ **At Soisson,** Max Brianto bested Francois Kania in a heavies ten and at **Bourges,** Ahmed Sebane avenged a previous defeat by outscoring Tommy Baars of Holland in a welter ten. Marc Desfourneaux nodded Jean Debondant in another welter ten.

▶ **At Cherbourg,** Pierre Rossi licked Henri Schmid in a flyweight ten and at **Bordeaux,** Marcel Pigou, 158, twice floored Domingo Mena of Spain and had him in such a bad way by the second round that Mena's corner slung in the towel.

▶ **Paris. At the Salle Wagram,** Hippolyte Annex had little difficulty in disposing of the now jaded Michel Francois in the third heat of their welter clash. At the Central, Marcel Colombies decisioned Cesar Fuentes in a welter eight.

▶ **Rotterdam, Holland.** Piet van Klaveren, the smart Dutch welter, finally returned to form in his bout with Hans Haefner. The veteran Bavarian attacked busily but Piet finally nabbed him with a nifty right that put Haefner on the deck for the full count in round four. Stefan Palfy, the Yugoslav lightie, pulled the same trick on Jan Verhagen but clinched matters in only 30 seconds of the first round. Nico Schoenmaker halted Ceslaw Dudek of France in the third heat of a middles tussle and Darius Dhlomo, colored South African, stopped Jacques Sorriaux in the third round of a cruiser clash.

▶ **Rome. At the Palazetto dello Sport,** Giulio Rinaldi of Anzio came through with a resounding triumph over highly-touted Sante Amonti in a clash for the Italian cruiser title. A wild swing from Rinaldi caught the champion cold right at the start of the first round and Amonti slumped to the canvas for a brief count. His left eye began swelling rapidly and Rinaldi bore in with both arms swinging furiously. Shortly before the gong Amonti went down from another hay-

maker and, rising at the count of "8", raised an arm in sign of surrender. In another cruiser affair, Mario Altana nodded Fuga over six rounds and in a bantam slam, Champion Mario Sitri stopped Danilo Giusti at the end of the fifth with a cut eye. Salvatore Manca drew with Giacomo Spano in a flyweight eight and in another featherweight scuffle, Alberto Serti was too experienced for young Giuseppe Fanfoni, whipping him over eight rounds.

▶**Vienna, Austria.** All attendance records at the new City Hall were broken when Gustav Scholz topped the bill here, no less than 14,000 fans paying to watch the Blitz-king demolish Hugo Koehler. This took place prior to the Holt fight and Scholz could afford to take no chances. When the Austrian cut loose in the second round, Scholz opened up with ferocious combination which culminated in a dazzling left hook to the chin that dropped Koehler for the full count. Jef Janssens of Belgium was in fact scheduled to box Scholz, Koehler was originally paired with Henny van Berkum. The Dutchman gained by the exchange as he was then pitted against modest Pepi Fischer, 163, whom he knocked out in four rounds. André Wyns, the Belgian who recently went the distance with heavyweight Paul Schiller, was stopped in two rounds by Dieter Wemhoener, some twenty pounds lighter. Manfred Neuke, 135, fought a draw with Ziyaris Taki and Manfred Graus was ruled out in the sixth round of his bout with Leo Potesil, 148, for hitting low. The German was slightly ahead at the time.

▶**Hamburg, Germany.** Max Resch, the colorful Swabian southpaw, tempted Lady Luck too far when he tackled Germinal Ballarin so early in his comeback campaign. The Frenchman is a fully-fledged cruiser and Resch stood to gain nothing by fighting him. At 170, Ballarin edged the German by twelve pounds and used the advantage to good effect. Resch tore in from the opening gong but Ballarin rode out the storm and came back to drop Maxie twice with hard right-handers. The next round was more even but Ballarin really went to work in the third, decking the gallant but unsubtle Teuton no less than six times. The fourth ronud had hardly got under way before the ref halted the uneven battle and sent Resch to his corner. Blond Hans Wohlers, 159, decisioned dusky Charles Luce of France over eight rounds and Rudolf Nehring, 166, stopped Michel Adamy of France in six. Harry Kurschat, 135, took some unexpected blockbusters from Jacques Poinson, but came back to flatten the French ex-amateur star in round seven with a left hook to the chin. Fritz Rings, 123, was lucky to gain a draw with Joe Buck over six rounds and Manfred Hass, 157, outscored André Couet of France in eight.

▶**Stuttgart, Germany.** With Resch fighting in Hamburg, only 3000 fans turned up to watch Peter Mueller tackle the modest Belgian, Abel Soudan, who was badly knocked about in the third round and finally walked to his corner after a knockdown. The ref continued the count to "out" while Soudan pulled on his dressing-gown. After the collapse of Max Resch, another of promoter Knoerzer's middleweight stars had his glitter reduced to a glimmer when Rolf Peters was halted by Erich Walter. The Hamburger forced the pace from the word "go" and Peters was hard put to stave off the repeated attacks. The end came in round seven when Peters sustained a bad cut over the left eye. Ossi Buettner, 203, and Uwe Janssen, 190, engaged in a tremendous slugging-bee over six rounds with Buettner gaining the nod after decking his opponent twice. Herbert Schilling, 147, and Horst Borzoskowski, 156, fought out a desperate return affair which ended in a draw after eight gory rounds whilst Edgar Basel, 115, knocked Gerhard Berkhout of Holland four times to the canvas before the ref halted hostilities in the second round. Georg Lautenbacher, promising middle novice, whipped Emil Zangl of Austria over four rounds in the curtain-raiser.

▶**Barcelona, Spain.** The more or less unknown Antonio Lazaro upset the applecart here by trouncing the new bantam champion, Francisco Carreno, over eight rounds in a non-title fray at the Gran Price. Santiago Ballester laced Jose Sauret in a lightie eight. A few days later, middles comer Fernando Penarroya outscored ex-champion Francisco Ortega over eight rounds and Navarro Paredes iced Ruiz Amatria in the third frame of a welter debate.

▶**Sassari, Italy.** Boxing here for the first time, Piero Rollo did not greatly impress again the French trial-horse, Michel Lamora, whom he defeated in their bantam ten. A cut over the eye obliged Rollo to box in second gear from the fourth round on but he was never in danger. Franco Fiori nodded Frigeri in a middles eight.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(FOR MONTH ENDING APRIL 21, 1960)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ing. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Mino Bozzano (I)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Max Resch (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
4. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Peter Mueller (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
5. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Sante Amonti (I)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
6. Toerner Ahsman (SW)	Paul Roux (F)	Marcel Pigou (F)	Michel Lombardet (F)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Maurice Auzel (F)
8. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Karl Mildenberger (G)	Michel Diouf (F)	Luis Folledo (S)
9. Ulli Nitzschke (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
10. Mario De Persio (I)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Michel Vinot (F)	Giacomo Nervi (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
2. Fred Galiana (S)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
3. Sauveur Benamou (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Young Martin (S)
4. Fernand Nollet (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
5. Laouari Godih (F)	Antoine Martin (F)	Elysee Castre (F)	Rene Libeer (F)
6. Guy Gracia (F)	Willi Quattuor (G)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Jean Guerard (F)
7. Aissa Hashas (F)	Ray Nobile (I)	Mario Sitri (I)	Kamara Diop (F)
8. Guizani Rezgui (T)	Jose Martinez (S)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Edgar Basel (G)
9. Epiphane Akono (F)	Rene Barriere (F)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Albert Younsi (F)
10. Conny Rudhof (G)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Sugar Ray (H)	Pierre Rossi (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden; T Tunisia.

▶**At Pesaro,** Geppino Gentiletti returned to action with a convincing win over Jack Subero of Trinidad, who was stopped in two rounds whilst Renato Bianchini flattened Bruno Ilagi of Venice in the second session of another middles maul.

▶**Bracelona, Spain.** This town is surely top fight-spot on the Peninsula, over sixty programs took place here last year. In the third program of one week, Manolo Correa stepped into the cruiser division to hand out a beating to Luis Vicente Serra over eight rounds.

▶**In Madrid,** Jose Merayo bested Perez Artero in a lightweight eight.

▶**At Alicante,** the bantam crown changed hands yet again, Jose Torres regaining the title from his erstwhile conqueror, Francisco Carreno, beating the holder over twelve rounds.

▶**Paris.** At the Mutualite, Antoine Martin had quite a job in subduing the smart Belgian feather, Raphael Diaz, finally beating him narrowly on points. Ex-champion Louis Poncy nodded Jean Dos Santos in another feathers ten.

▶**At the Salle Wagram,** Fernand Nollet copped a close decision over blond Annibale Omodei of Italy in a lightie ten.

▶**Compiegne, France.** Klaus Langhammer did well on his first start outside of Germany, although his opponent was hard-hitting Wladis Kopec. The handsome Wladis rocked his man badly in the seventh round but the Berliner grimly returned the fire and ended the eight rounds a close points loser.

▶**At St. Brieuc,** Gaston Mathieu nodded Daniel Brunet in a welter ten.

▶**At St. Jean de Luz,** Giacomo Nervi decisioned the promising Spanish welter, Alayeto, over eight, and at **Chateauroux,** tearaway Jackie Chauveau trounced Jean Dantas in a lightweight ten.

▶**Lyons, France.** Dante Madella, the Italian middles veteran, was handed the first kayo of his career when he was blasted out in the fourth round of his contest with undefeated Michel Vinot. Thomas Makoulet won over Ernesto Ballabio, who was ruled out in the tenth round of their welter dispute.

▶**At Calais,** local bantam idol Elysée Castre did well to beat Juan Cardenas, decking the Spaniard for a brief count in the eighth round.

▶**Milan, Italy.** Duilio Loi was his old self when he met up with Tommy Molloy, the former British welter champion, at the National Theater. Loi hit the Liverpudlian with dazzling series of punches and Molloy was in bad shape at the end of the fourth. The doctor examined a cut over Molloy's left eye and said he was fit to continue, whereupon Molloy decided to retire. But France's Albert Younsi was made of stronger stuff. He boxed brilliantly against a very off-form Salvatore Burruni and handed the Italian flyweight king his first defeat in the paid ranks, winning handily on points.

▶**Istanbul, Turkey.** "Gentleman" Charley Attali, Parisian middles comer, earned more than a draw in his hard-fought ten against the globe-trotting local, Garbis Zakaryan.

▶**Madrid, Spain.** Tito Gomez, Argentino lightweight with an eye on the Spanish title, was too strong for Frank Garcia and whipped him soundly over eight rounds whilst Manuel Sosa, the colorful Frenchman, outpunched blond Bobby Ros in a hard ten. Fred Galiana topped this all-lightweight card with a clear-cut points win over the French Basque, Victor Pepeder.

▶**Brussels, Belgium.** Promoter Frans Reis suddenly found himself deprived of most of his attractions for the Sports Palace program. Van Neste had just been stopped by Terry Downes in London, Joe Rafiu King, Jerome Adje and Jean Renard all cried off at the last minute for various reasons. To top it off, all the main bouts ended in quick time. Pierre Cossemyns topped the bill against the national feathers champ, Juan Oscar Alvarez, but the slight disadvantage in weight gave him no trouble. Pierre decked his rival four times in the opening round and a sizzling right-hander dropped Alvarez for a further count at the start of the second, whereupon the ref stepped in and stopped the contest. Elie Elandon, 32-year old cruiser from the Belgian Congo, came out of retirement at the promotor's behest to dispose quickly of Oscar Descheemaker, flattening him in two rounds. Victor Ducros was held to a draw by the Italian lightie, Angelo Caschetto, over eight rounds.

▶**Turin, Italy.** About 3,000 fans attended the Palestra Ponchia to see Piero Rollo outfight Eugene Le Cozanet of France in a torrid bantam ten while Fortunato Manca had an easy outing against Cesar Fuentes, obliging the Frenchman's corner to sling in the towel during round five.

▶**At Traviso,** Angelo Rampin fought excellently to defeat the Spaniard, José Ogazon, in a bustling flyweight ten. Federico Friso outslugged Max Brianto of Martinique in a heavyweight ten.

▶**Bologna, Italy.** Bruno Scarabellin retained his heavies title against young Vittorio Stagni in a rugged slam at the Sports Palace. Scarabellin was the harder hitter and split the challenger's eyebrow early in the bout; he floored Stagni with a thunderous left at the close of the ninth but the gong saved Vittorio from a possible knockout. The doctor examined Stagni's eye and advised his retirement before the tenth round began. Ray Nobile moved up into the lightweight division with considerable eclat, decisioning classy Nedo Stampi in a fast eight-rounder.

▶**Rheims, France.** Erwin Hack is another of those tough German cruisers who provide worthy resistance to their French and Italian counterparts. Hack's southpaw stance was something Paul Roux seemed unable to solve and despite his best efforts the French champion could only win on points without a knockdown to his credit.

▶**At the Salle Wagram in Paris,** Hippolyte Annex swapped punches with another tenacious Teuton, Karl Wagner, who lasted eight rounds before his corner slung in the towel. Wagner took four counts and a great deal of punishment. Moussa Sangaree, jet-black cruiser from Senegal, whipped Andre Couet over eight rounds.

▶**At the Central,** the unbeaten Belgian welter, Yves Cornez, did well to outscore Bernard Cottet over eight rounds. A few days later, Cornez beat another Frenchman, Albert Lefrancois, via the points route at Eugies in Belgium.

▶**Paris,** Marcel Pigon beat Michel Diove, 10.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

Dave Charnley of London, England, who won the European lightweight championship from Italy's Mario Vecchiato in a contest that boosted his chance of obtaining another shot at Don Jordan's world crown.

SHOREDITCH . . . Bernie Taylor, Bantamweight Champion of South Africa, 125¾, tall, lean, and lanky, did remarkably well to outpoint strong, swinging Johnny Howard, Holloway, Southern Area Featherweight Champion, 125¾, in an exciting eight. . . . After Taylor had taken all the swings on the head from Howard for the first two rounds, he fought the only way to gain his advantage, and that was moving and jabbing his long left to the face of the forceful North Londoner. . . . Dave Stone, Battersea, 137½, Southern Area Welterweight Champion, if his form against Ronnie Rush, Cardiff via Trinidad, 137, was any criterion, he must have slipped back considerably. . . . He allowed Rush to outrough him during the four rounds that the contest lasted. . . . At the end of the third, he hit Rush after the bell, and this brought a loud booing of disgust from the large crowd, also a reprimand from referee Tommy Little. . . . At the end of the fourth, Stone again hit after the bell, and without any hesitation he was disqualified amid a hail of cardboard cartons from the crowd. . . . Johnny Kramer, Canningtown, 149¾, defeated Richie Edwardson, Liverpool, 149¾, when the referee intervened at the end of the first. . . . Dennis Harman, Millwall, 168, outpointed Freddie Clapton, Finsbury Park, 174, in six. . . . Dave Caulfield, Huddersfield, 120, was awarded the decision at the end of the fourth, when Jerry Jones, Wigan, 119½ retired.

▶**LIME GROVE** . . . Tony Mancini, Hammersmith, 146, staged a late rally to earn a draw against Paddy O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 146, in a hard fought eight. . . . Eric Ludlam, Sheffield, 175, outpointed Jimmy Attoh, Ghana, 176, in a spirited eight. . . . Dave Ould, Bermondsey, 189, well outpointed Sid Cain, Watford, 197½, in six. . . . Fred Elderfield, Harlesden, 160, had to fight hard to keep the lead and a points decision over Terry Coombs, Peckham, 158¼, in six. . . . Jackie Dillon, Isle of Man, 122½, was declared the winner over Dave Whittaker, Battersea, 118½, in the sixth and last round, when referee Bill White intervened after Whittaker had received a badly cut eye. . . . Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 145½, floored Paul Mensah, Ghana, 147½, for a count of "eight" midway through the first round, and when he rose unsteady on his feet, the referee wisely ended the bout in favor of Phillips.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB** . . . London . . . Paul Gormley, The Canterbury Cruiserweight, 170½, was impressive in defeating Gordon Corbett, Birmingham, 172½, in the third, when referee Jack Hart seeing the badly cut eye that Corbett received, wisely stopped the bout in favor of Gormley. . . . Hugh O'Neill, Dublin, 125½, narrowly outpointed Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 126½, in a fast and hard hitting eight. . . . Another cut eye, ended the bout between Billy Secular, Walworth, 131½, and Neville Cassin, Cardiff, 129½, when the latter was the victim in the second round. The referee had no option but to declare Secular as the winner, as the damage was too severe. . . . Terry Edwards, Birmingham, 137½, outpointed Terry Tulley, Brighton, 136½, in six. . . . Billy Tarrant, Bermondsey, 143½, stopped Stan Bishop, Kidderminster, 144 in the sixth.

▶**READING** . . . Billy Underwood, Hainault, 149½, scored a good points win over Joe Ceroni, Italy, via Hungerford, 150, in six . . . Pat Aaron, Nigeria, 137, stopped Terry Harper, Walthamstow, 139, in the fourth. The referee intervened after Harper had taken three counts . . . Johnny Mona, Oxford, 144, outpointed Kid Solomon, Jamaica, 147, in a terrific six . . . Terry Thompson, Gloucester, 141, forced the referee to intervene in his favor in the fourth when his opponent, Johnny Arrow, Kingston, 141, had risen from the third count . . . Laurie Homer, Croydon, 160, outpointed Ivor Evans, Bournemouth and Wales, 155 in six . . . Johnny Collier, Stepney, 132, outpointed Stan Silver, Oxford, 136, in six.

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▶**EMPIRE POOL, WEMBLEY** . . . Terry Downes, British middleweight champion, 159¾, tested his new nose against a light hitter in Carlos Van Neste, Belgium, 162¾, in a scheduled ten, but four rounds were enough. Referee Tommy Little realized that the Belgian had no chance of victory and he stopped the bout to save Van Neste from further punishment. The best bout on the card presented by Harry Levene was between Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, 128¾, and Sexton Mabena, South Africa, 128. They put up a thrilling ten. Kidd was deserving of his victory by his better boxing and snappy left jab. Mabena's nose was the size of a small balloon, with crimson showing all over his face. Two Americans, imported to test Britain's welterweight champion, Wally Swift, Nottingham, 147¼, and Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 161, were bitter disappointments. Virgil Akins of St. Louis, former world welterweight champion, and Del Flanagan, St. Paul, 160½, were the opponents. Akins found Swift's tantalizing left hand too much and lost the decision. Fanagan's performance was less than terrific. He did little actual fighting, and his clowning brought handclaps and catcalls from the slim crowd. Referee Tommy Little warned both fighters to fight, and in the seventh his patience gave out. He disqualified both boys. The decision was a little harsh on Edwards, who tried to make a fight of it but was unable to make much headway against the antics of Flanagan.

Johnny Cole, Bow, 173½, outpointed Neville Rowe, Australia, 175, in a hard fought eight. Phil Jones, Cardiff, 126¾, was lucky to keep his unbeaten certificate when he was declared a points winner over Dave Croll, Dundee, 127¾, in eight

▶It is with regret that I report the passing of an old friend in Harry Williams, 86, an old-time fighter, using the name Harry Cambridge, and later a prominent promoter and manager. Williams handled the affairs of many British champions of the past, among them Jim Sullivan, Pat O'Keefe, Curly Walker and Bill Ladbury.

▶**BELFAST** . . . Don Martin, Formby, 148¾, had an easy win over Pat Price, Newry, 149¼, when the referee intervened during the fifth, to save Price unnecessary punishment . . . Gil Neill, Belfast, 129¾, won a thrilling eight by outpointing Andy Doherty, Derry, 129¼ . . . John Garrett, Belfast, 131½, stopped Henry Yorke, Ghana, 131, in the sixth, when the latter received a badly cut eye . . . Terry McManus, Belfast, 129½, defeated Trevor Martin, Bangor, 126½, in the fourth, the referee intervened to save Martin from further punishment

▶**LUTON** . . . Paddy Kelly, Derry, 127½, with his hustling attack scored a sixth round knockout over George Carroll, Covent Garden, 127, Carroll was hurt in the first, but recovered during the minute's rest and although trying to overcome the Irish lads aggressiveness, was in further danger from the heavier hitting that Kelly dealt out, in the sixth Carroll failed to beat the count . . . Dave George, Woking, 154¾, outpointed Johnny Bowler, Luton, 155½, in a hard hitting eight . . . Abe Stanley, Bournemouth, 180, stopped Sid Cain, Watford, 191, in the fourth . . . Referee Sid Nathan intervened after Cain had received a badly cut eye . . . Don Cosheril, Channel Islands, 122½, was too good for Jackie Marks, Shepherds Bush, 123, and the referee stopped the bout in the sixth . . . Ivor Evans, Bournemouth and Wales, 157, outpointed Dennis Beards, Wolverhampton, 160, in six . . . Al McCarthy, Romford, 129½, outpointed Johnny Collier, Rayleigh, 130½, in six.

▶**MANCHESTER** . . . Jackie Brown, Edinburgh, 112, scored a good points win over Pancho Bhatachaji, India, 112, in a fast eight . . . Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 142½ outpointed Leo Maloney, Hillingdon, 149, in eight . . . Jimmy McGrail, Liverpool, 145, stopped Derek Liversidge, Retford, 146, in the third, when the referee intervened . . . Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 127¾, scored his best win of his professional career, by outpointing the more experienced Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, 127, in an interesting eight . . . Nye Ankarah, Ghana, 126, outpointed Eric Brett, Retford, 126, in six . . . Bernard Sullivan, Salford, 184, knocked out Norman Sneddon, Liverpool, 172, in the first . . . Ronnie Calvert, Sheffield, 128¾, punched too hard for Jackie Dillon, Isle of Man, 124, and the bout was stopped in the first.

▶**WALSALL** . . . Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 132¼, outpointed Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 131½, in eight . . . Max Smith, Wheaton Aston, 162½, knocked out Barrie Burke, Nigeria, 157, in the fourth . . . Colin Salcombe, Smethwick, 134, outpointed Roy Smith, Retford, 136½, in six . . . Terry Edwards, Smethwick, 132½, left handed his way to a points win over Jimmy Molloy, Leicester, 128, in six . . . Sonny Osemegie, Nigeria, 148½, outpointed Tony Davies, Oswestry, 145½, in six.

▶**GLASGOW** . . . Don Fleeman, Texas, 177¼, received referee Eugene Henderson's points verdict against Ron Redrup, West Ham, 171½, at the end of a gruelling eight . . . The decision was not well received by the crowd which thought "Southpaw" Redrup had earned a draw . . . Both fighters suffered cuts about the eyes in what can best be described as a hard hitting brawl . . . John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 162, having his first bout since losing to Terry Downes, came back with a three round win over Tommy Tagoe, Ghana, 158 . . . The referee stopped the uneven bout after Tagoe had taken considerable punishment . . . Dwight Hawkins, California, 120, was ruled out in the fifth for hitting low against Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 120 . . . The latter had taken three counts during the five rounds, and was fortunate to be declared winner by the mistake of Hawkins in his mis-direction of punches . . . Jimmy Gibson, Dunfermline, 136½, gained his third win as a professional by stopping Arthur Burley, Wolverhampton, 137½, in the second . . . George Judge, Glasgow, 127¾, lost his unbeaten record, when the referee intervened in the seventh against John Smillie, Fauldhous, 127½, owing to the former having sustained a badly cut eye . . . Dave Coventry, Liverpool, 137, outpointed Jimmy Norcott, Stepney, 142½, in eight.

▶**GLASGOW** . . . Jim McGuinness, Wishaw, won the vacant Scottish welterweight title by outpointing Tom McGuinness, Edinburgh, in a hard fought twelve rounder . . . George McDade, Glasgow, outpointed Pat Glancy, Glasgow, in ten of a flyweight bout . . . Bobby Kane, Glasgow, outpointed Ray Ashie, Ghana, in eight of a lightweight contest . . . In another lightweight bout, Dick Kiernan, Muirhead, outpointed John Bacon, Middlesboruogh, in six.

▶**DOUGLAS . . . ISLE OF MAN** . . . Brian Jones, Nottingham, 134, gained a points win over "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 133½, in a hotly disputed ten . . . Chima Agwu, Nigeria, 120, was awarded a points win over

Johnny Lewis, Nottingham, 120, in a closely fought eight . . . There was plenty of action in the Eddie Phillips, Nigeria, 127, and Tony Barry, Ellesmere Port, 128, bout over six rounds. The former was a points winner after a good bout . . . Chris Elliott, Leicester, was a clear points winner over Moses Edeki, Nigeria, in a featherweight bout over eight rounds . . . Jackie Braddock, Birkenhead, 128, and Jim Fitzpatrick, Sheffield, 127, fought a draw in four.

▶**LEYTON** . . . Johnny Van Rensberg, South Africa, 138¾, stepped in as a substitute to meet Ronnie Rush, Cardiff and Trinidad, 139¼, in a scheduled eight . . . It was an all-action affair . . . Former Empire welterweight champion "Smiler" Van Rensberg, was fully extended to gain a narrow points win . . . There was a disappointing ending to the Jimmy Newman, Walthamstow, 148¾, and Freddie Collins, Chingford, 152, set-to . . . Newman had every advantage over the shorter Collins, but made the sad mistake to try and knock out his opponent with wild swings to the body . . . One of these went very low in the sixth, and referee Harry Gibbs sent him back to his corner, disqualified . . . Johnny Kramer, Canning Town, 148½, gained a points win over Pat Aaron, Ghana, 143, in a hectic six . . . Brian Coxhead, Preston, 167, brought off a surprising quick win when he swung a right to the head of Denis Harman, Millwall, 168, early in the first, down went Harman with a thud, and on trying to get up it was seen that he had hurt his right leg, and as referee Benny Caplan wisely intervened, Harman collapsed and had to be helped to his corner . . . Peter Delbridge, Cardiff, 128, won on points against Micky Redmond, Bristol, 128¼, in six lively rounds . . . Steve Richards, Bermondsey, 151½, stopped Johnny Moona, Oxford, 150, in the third, referee Caplan intervened to save Moona from further punishment.

▶**COVENTRY** . . . A barroom brawl ended in the fourth of a scheduled six, when referee Austin O'Connor ruled that Ronnie Vale, Leamington, 159, had transgressed the rules (even in a barroom fight) by palming his opponent Paddy DeLargy, Dublin and Coventry, 161 . . . Both contestants looked like Red Indians from their own blood, and Vale had himself to blame for losing what looked like a certain victory . . . Tony French, Warwick, 150½, and Jimmy Assani, Nigeria, 144½, fought a draw in six . . . Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 132, outpointed Roy Smith, Nottingham, 135½, in an exciting six . . . Brian Stannard, King's Lynn, 165, dealt out considerable punishment to Mashood Balogun, Nigeria, 158½, but the latter gamely lasted the distance of six rounds to the applause of the crowd . . . Sonny Osemegie, Nigeria, 153, outpointed Dennis Beards, Wolverhampton, 158¼, in six.

▶**Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, England,** ex-British welterweight champion, traveled to Milan, Italy, to combat ten rounds with the European welterweight champion, Duilio Loi, but only four was enough for the Englishman, who retired at the end of the round because of the hammering and badly damaged eye.

▶**BIRMINGHAM** . . . George Aldridge, Market Harborough, 161¼, boxed well to outpoint "Southpaw" Johnny Cunningham, Huddersfield, 157½, in a hard fought ten . . . Colin Salcombe, Smethwick, 134¼, came in as a late substitute to meet the promising Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 134¼, and 24 seconds later he was declared the winner by the K.O. route after shooting a right cross to Robinson's jaw. The latter tried hard to beat the count, but he was good a truly knocked out . . . Terry Banning, Leamington, 142¼, and Richie Edwardson, Bootle, 141½, fought a draw in six . . . Eric Brett, Retford, 128, forced Harry Yorke, Ghana, 130¾, to retire at the end of the sixth, as the latter had received a badly cut cheekbone . . . Jimmy Braddock, Birkenhead, 128, outpointed Frank Lannion, Wolverhampton, 130 in six . . . Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 160½, was declared the winner in the sixth, when the referee intervened to save Pat McGarry, Ireland, 164¼, from further punishment.

▶**BELFAST** . . . A crowd of 10,000 excited fight fans were treated to one of the best bantamweight battles seen for many a day when Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, European, Empire and British champion, 116¾ put his three titles on the line against Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 117½, in a scheduled 15 round bout . . . What a battle, what excitement, from the first gong to the termination in the thirteenth when referee Jack Hart stopped the bout owing to a very bad cut on Rafferty's eye, leaving Freddie Gilroy, still holder of the Triple Crown . . . It looked like being over in the very first round, Gilroy set a fast two handed pace, putting the Scot down for a count of "seven". Pluckily he rose on unsteady legs to last out the round. In the second session Rafferty took the fight to Gilroy till two left crosses sent him across the ring and steadied him, but the guts the Scot showed in meeting his opponent half way had the crowd in a cheering uproar . . . The first six rounds went to the Fiery Irishman, who dealt out severe punishment especially in round five, when every punch in the book was thrown at Rafferty . . . How these two fighting gamecocks kept up this fighting pace, had everybody guessing. Round eight saw Rafferty doing better with his right hand punches to Gilroy's head and it was now all Rafferty as he pressed his advantage home, but a left in round nine nearly sent the Scot's head off his shoulders only to find him coming forward to do battle with the aggressive Irishman . . . How the crowd shouted for their favorites as Gilroy was outpunched by Rafferty in the tenth, but the former kept out of danger till the gong . . . In round eleven the Scot was feeling the pace, so was the gallant Irishman, as both had been throwing punches at thirteen to the dozen. The twelfth saw Gilroy's left eye swollen and almost closing, but he kept throwing punches into Rafferty, who incidently had his best round. The Scot seemed stronger as they come out for the thirteenth, but met a flurry of punches from Gilroy till a badly cut eye received by Rafferty had the latter's face crimson red from blood, and referee Jack Hart on inspection wisely stopped the bout in favor of Gilroy . . . Both boxers came in for a tremendous cheer on leaving the ring, for they had put up one of the best scraps seen in any ring. . . . Freddie Tiedt, Dublin, 145¼, was very unlucky to have been declared the loser, after having a good points lead over Sandy Manuel, Nigeria, 143½, for he suffered a badly cut eye in the sixth, and the bout was stopped in favor of Manuel . . . Pat Stapleton, Dublin, 187¾, stopped Garnett Denny, Belfast, 215, in the fifth . . . The referee intervened when the overweighted Denny was too far behind on points . . . Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 126½, made one of his rare appearances to win over Hugh O'Neill, Dublin, 125½, who was ruled out for an alleged low blow in the second . . . Jim Jordan, Belfast, 137½, scored a hard points win over Roy Sanlon, Belfast, 135¾, in six . . . Floyd Robertson, Ghana and Belfast, 129¾, made short work of John Garrett, Belfast, 129½, when the referee stopped the bout in the third, after Garrett had sustained a badly cut eye.

▶**ROTHERHAM** . . . Billy "Ride Him Cowboy" Calvert, Sheffield, 125¼, won the Central Area Featherweight Title, when he outpointed Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 125½ in a hectic twelve . . . Colin Moore, Derby, 158½, gained a good points win over Tony Broadhead, Sheffield, 161, in a hard fought eight . . . Freddie Clapton, Finsbury Park, 174½, outpointed Eric Ludlam, Sheffield, 173¾, in six . . . Ron Calvert, Sheffield, 128, stopped Ray Thompson, Dagenham, 127½, in the sixth . . . Les Platt, Wombwell, 145¾, and Paul Mensah, Sheffield, 146, fought a draw in six.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB** . . . London . . . Making his first entry to the British ring, Ernie Baronet, Featherweight Champion of South Africa, 127¼, was well and truly outpointed by Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, 128¼, in eight . . . The turning point of the bout was in the sixth, when Bassie put Baronet on the deck for "nine", from then on the latter was always second best . . . Len Barrow, Swansea, 154, was too clever for Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 157¾, and won on points in eight . . . Dave Caufield, Huddersfield, 119, outpointed Brady Marlow, South Africa, 119, in a closely fought six . . . Peter O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 131½, gave full value for his points win against Tommy Kansas, Bristol, 132, in six . . . Bernard Hart, Eltham, 147, outpointed Desmond Cummings, British Guiana, 146, in six.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(To April 21, 1960)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
2. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Yama Bahama (B)	Philemon Tshabalala (SA)
3. Dick Richardson (W)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
4. George Chuvalo (C)	Harry Dodoo (G)	Terry Downes (E)	Mick Leahy (I)
5. Brian London (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Clive Stewart (A)	Brian Curvis (W)
6. Joe Bygraves (J)	Ron Redrup (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Wally Swift (E)
7. Robert Cleroux (C)	Eddie Wright (E)	John McCormack (S)	Willie Toweel (SA)
8. Mose Verasikete (F)	Johnny Cole (E)	Attu Clottey (G)	Albert Carroll (E)
9. Dave Rent (E)	Tommy Gibbons (E)	Tuna Scanlan (NZ)	Gale Kerwin (C)
10. Joey Armstrong (G)	Billy Smith (E)	Harry Speedie (SA)	Tony Smith (E)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddy Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Lud. Lightburn (BH)	Rafiu King (N)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Jackie Brown (S)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Floyd Robertson (G)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	Frank Jones (S)
4. Billy Kelly (I)	Johnny Kidd (S)	Roy Beaman (E)	Derek Lloyd (E)
5. J. van Rensburg (SA)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Dick White (A)	Dennis Adams (SA)
6. Jackie Hayden (C)	Bobby Neill (S)	Len Reece (W)	Pancho Bhatachaji (India)
7. George Bracken (A)	Terry Spinks (E)	George Bowes (E)	Little Joe (G)
8. Peter Heath (E)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
9. Barney Beale (E)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Alex Ambrose (S)	John Mtimkulu (SA)
10. Dave Stone (E)	Wally Taylor (A)	Derry Treanor (I)	Eddie Barraclough (E)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

▶**KINGSTON** . . . Pat Aaron, Nigeria, 135¼, was declared winner over Terry Tulley, Brighton, 137½, when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the fifth with a badly cut eye . . . Johnny Arrow, 139, Richmond, repeated a previous points win over Joe Fernando, South Africa, 137, in six . . . Steve Richards, Bermondsey, 149¼, knocked out Mick McAdam, Scotland, 144, in the second . . . Jimmy Molloy, Leicester, 126¼, got up off the floor twice in the first round to gain a clever points win over Jackie Dillon, Isle of Man, 124, in six . . . Frank Beeston, Molesley, 146½, scored a knockout over Alan Yapp, Epsom, 145, in the second . . . Randy Canute, Barbados, 151, stopped Ivor Evans, Bournemouth and Wales, 150¼, in the third.

▶**CARMARTHEN** . . . Brian Curvis, Swansea, 147, the 22-year-old Welsh welterweight who I am certain will win the British title if and when he meets the reigning champion, Wally Swift, won on a tight rein against Al Sharpe, Belfast, 147, in a interesting eight . . . The end looked in sight during the second round, when Curvis landed a left to the Irish champions jaw, in which he took a count of "eight" . . . From then on the clever Welshman was contented to coast along to the end, winning every round . . . Sharpe, must be credited for putting up a stern resistance to the end . . . Redvers Sangoe, Cardiff, 174, retained his Welsh Cruiserweight Title, when he forced Don Sainsbury, Penarth, 175, to retire at the end of the ninth, when the latter was suffering from a damaged eye . . . Noel Hazard, Australia, 129, was too good for Junior Cassidy, Nigeria, 128, and won easily on points in eight . . . Errol Flynn, Newport, 116, scored a good win over Tony Bowles, Brighton, 113, a perfect left hook spilled Bowles on the canvas for the full count, in the fourth . . . Gary Price, Carmarthen, 163, gained a popular points win over Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 161½, in six . . . Neville Exford, Battersea, stopped Phil Williams, Cardiff, in the seventh when the referee intervened after Williams had received a badly cut eye.

▶**DERBY** . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 160, chief challenger for Terry Downes' title, although a clear winner over Orlando Paso, Ghana, 159¾, in ten, did not show the form that has brought him to the front . . . Brian Jones, Nottingham, 137¼, scored a good win over Teddy Best, Cardiff, 137½, in eight . . . Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 124, with his southpaw stance, gained a narrow points win over Chris Elliott, Leicester, 127½, in eight . . . Colin Moore, Derby, 158½, won a scrambling eight against Tommy Masedo, Cardiff, 158½ . . . Gordon Blakey, Cardiff, 127½, was too clever for Tommy Tiger, 133, Leicester, in an interesting eight.

▶**WEST HAM** . . . Johnny Van Rensberg, South Africa, 142¼, was too aggressive and rough for Terry Gill, West Ham, 149, in their eight rounder . . . It was a good win on "Smiler's" part, as towards the end of the first he received a badly cut eye, but he nevertheless kept up his aggressiveness to the end to win every round against the former Southern Area Welterweight champion.

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IN THE SUPPORTING CARD OF HAROLD GOMES-FLASH ELORDE TITLE BOUT, Litte Rufe, 112, and Young Bonnie, 112, drew in 12 rounds. It was a give and take affair from the start. Al Cantara, 123, won a unanimous decision over Angel Boy, 123, in 8 rounds. Ray Gaspar, 109, and Billy Brown, 111, drew in 4. Many believed that Gaspar deserved the decision due to his punching power. Jose Salva, 113, and Kid Fajardo, 113, drew in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Ben Escobar, 136, former featherweight champion of the Philippines, halted Rocky Moises, 138, in the 5th round of the locally televised fistic presentation in Manila. Tony Canoy, 113, halted Freddie Amore, 115, in the 2nd round. Tony Bardoy, 120, outpointed Baby Eagle, 122, in 4. Tony Sarmiento, 128, kayoed Rush Army, 130, in the 1st. Small Nitoy, 112, and Jess Espinola, 114, drew in 4 rounds.

▶Bert (Nursery Kid) Somodio, 133, became the lightweight champion of the Philippines when he stopped Bonnie Espinosa, 133, and lightweight titleholder in the 9th round of a scheduled 12 round main event at the Besa Boxing Arena. Somodio wore down Bonnie with body blows from the 7th and even took advantage of the closed right eye of the champion.

Teo Castaneda, 120, defeated Rush Benny, 120, who substituted for Romeo Dundee, in 6 rounds. Vic Espanola, 127, knocked out Dio Cagulada, 127, in 57 seconds of the 3rd. Mighty Bargan, 136, bested Ben de Villa, 136, in 6. Joey Angeles, 116, outpointed Lex Sandè, 113, in 4. Little Narding, 110, decisioned Kid Agustin, 111, in 4. Ricky San Juan, 101 kayoed Young Tabucanon, 110, in the 1st round.

▶Kid Independence Jr., 112, badly outpointed Flash Virgilio, 112, in 10 rounds in Davao City. The Manila flash was the aggressor but he was badly countered by the Kid from Davao City. Warrior Mangubat, 120, outscored Speedy Paredes, 123, in another 10 rounder. Orland Medina, 130, knocked out Billy Alquizar, 132, in 4. War Fuentes, 125, and Flash Barsi, 126, drew in 6. Battling Amor, 118, and Speed Amper, 120, were thrown out of the ring and the referee declared it "No Contest" in the 2nd round. Bonnie Siniza, 112, bested Baswani Waswani, 110, in 4. Fighting Fuentes, 110, stopped Rocky Mangubat, 112, in 3 of a scheduled 4 round curtain raiser.

▶The Gomes-Elorde title bout was for the benefit of the disabled and destitute fighters of yesteryears, which had been taken care of by the Philippine Sportswriters Association. The net profit will be divided by the National Press Club and the revolving fund for the ex-boxers. The First Lady of the land inaugurated the $6,000,000 stadium of the Araneta family, which is the biggest indoor arena in the orient. Among the guests of promoter Jorge Araneta in the ringside were: Mrs. Carlos P. Garcia, Senator Pacita Madrigal Gonzales, Mrs. Linda Garcia Campos, Mayor Arsenio H. Lacson, Secretary Serafin Salvador of General Services, Brig. Gen. Manuel Flores, Philippine Military Academy superintendent, Mayor Amoranto and Manila Fiscal Hermogenes Concepcion Jr.

ELORDE WINS JUNIOR TITLE

▶Manila, Special to the Ring:—Flash (Gabriel) Elorde, Filipino Oriental lightweight titleholder became the Junior Lightweight Champion of the world by knocking out Harold Gomes, junior lightweight champion of the world, in one minute and fifty seconds of the seventh round. It was like a New Year's celebration inside the Araneta Coliseum of Quezon City when referee Barney Ross raised the hand of Elorde in token of victory.

Elorde was formerly the bantamweight champion of the Philippines and the Orient, ex-lightweight kingpin of the Philippines and still held the oriental lightweight crown and added the world junior lightweight championship. He had succeeded where his countryman Elino Flores failed against Johnny Dundee in New York, February 2, 1923. He is now the fifth Filipino to wear a world crown. He was preceeded by Pancho Villa, Small Montano, Little Dado (NBA version) in the flyweight division and Ceferino Garcia in the middleweight division.

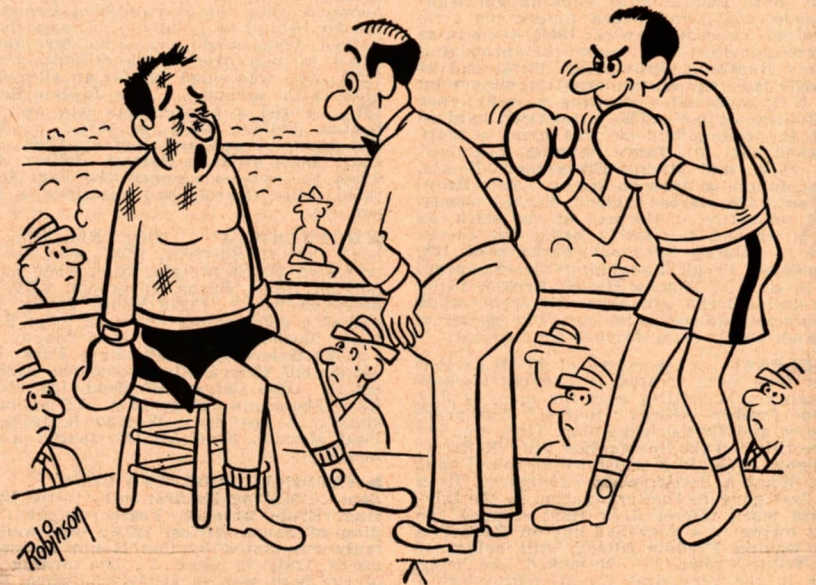
Gomes entered the ring at 128½ while Elorde had to sweat out three pounds to make the 130 limit.

Elorde worked on Gomes like a master. The Filipino southpaw, who was expected to score with his left, used his right and connected almost at will. As the fight progressed it became one-sided with the Filipino in full command. After the second round in which Gomes was badly hurt, he was not in his former self.

Elorde was almost unmarked except for a little mouse on his left cheek while Gomes was red all over his face, nose and mouth bleeding and a cut on his forehead. Elorde was not much of a puncher in all his previous fights but against Gomes he packed a wallop in either hand. It was indeed a surprise to all.

Elorde was so relaxed, devastating and worked with machine-like precision. He rested in the fourth and then attacked without let-up from the fifth round. He connected with a right near the end of the fifth and Gomes went down for a four count. He was hanging helplessly on the ropes when the bell came to his rescue. In the sixth Gomes was obviously weakened and ripe for the kill. He held on gamely, however only to suffer terribly in the seventh.

In the fatal seventh round, Elorde rushed Gomes in a neutral corner and pummelled him with a combination of rights and lefts. Gomes went down hitting the canvas with a thud. The Rhode Islander got up groggy and near his own corner. Elorde caught up with him again. Another right and left to the face andl body dropped the American for the second time. At the count of five he again stood up defenseless against the ropes. Another combination of right and lefts sent him to the floor and was counted out while on his hands and knees.



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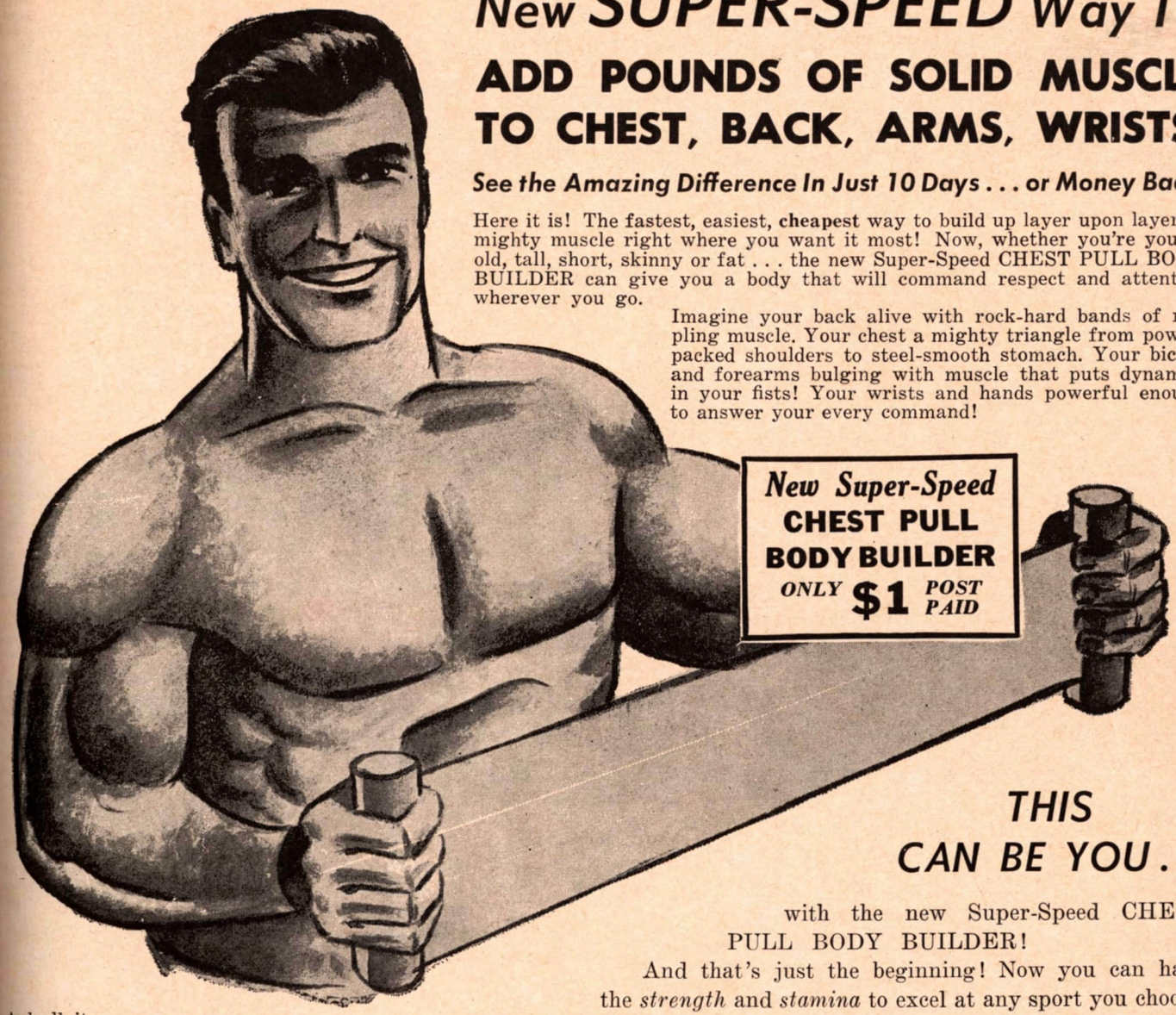

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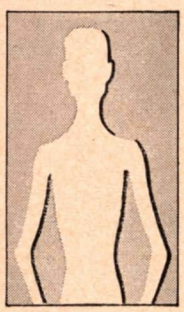

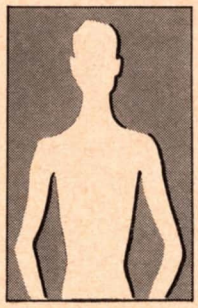

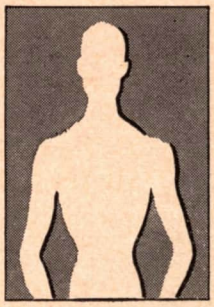

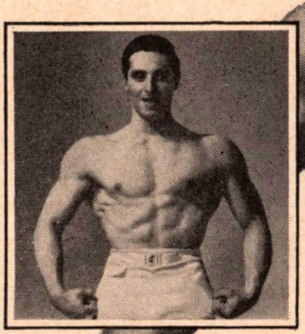

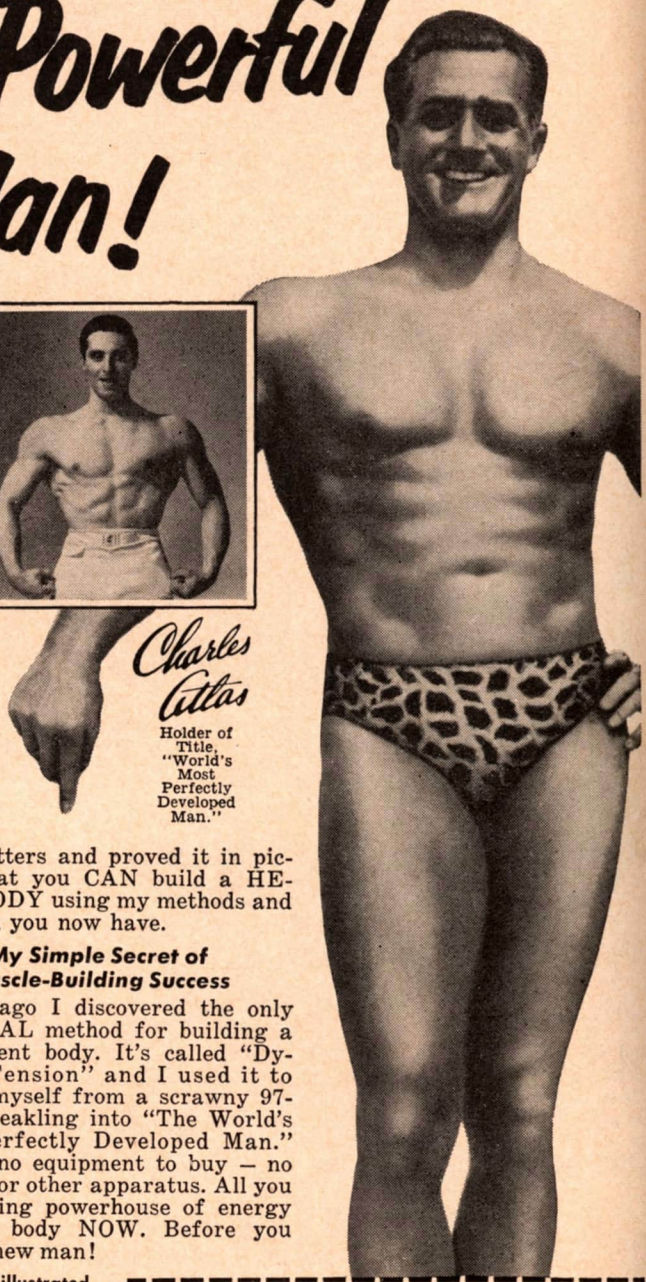

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